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HAPPY NEW YEAR! Troy and Holly Abotossaway of Aundeck Omni Kaning, along with son Boston, welcome the newest addition to their family: Tate, the first baby of the New Year born on Manitoulin Island.

photo by Robin Burrige

First 2014 Haweater a baby boy

by Robin Burrige
AUNDECK OMNI KANING FIRST NATION—Holly Abotossaway of Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation, supported by her husband Troy, gave birth to the first Manitoulin baby of the New Year on Saturday, January 4 at 6:58 pm at the Little Current site of the Manitoulin Health Centre.

Named Tate Abotossaway, the seven-pound newest Haweater is a healthy baby boy with brown eyes and hair.

Though Tate's delivery was fine, Ms. Abotossaway had a complication and was rushed to

Health Sciences North in Sudbury for surgery shortly after giving birth.

Safe and sound back at home in AOK on Monday, The Expositor visited the new mother, child and her family.

"We were both really excited when they told us that Tate was the first baby of the New Year (on the Island)," said Ms. Abotossaway. "We weren't due until January 17, so it was a surprise, but a good one."

Tate is the couple's second child. Their other son, Boston, is 22 months but Boston was born in

Sudbury, making the New Year's baby their first Haweater.

"I am from Michigan, so Boston and I aren't Haweaters," joked Ms. Abotossaway. "But Troy is a Haweater and now so is Tate."

Ms. Abotossaway first came to Manitoulin in 2001, working for Day Star's summer camp in AOK, meeting her husband during her second summer of work on the Island in 2002.

The couple dated long distance until Ms. Abotossaway moved to the Island as a social worker.

Since giving birth to Boston, she has been a full time mom, while Mr. Abotossaway works for Domtar in Espanola.

Along with their two dogs Cash and Lola, the family enjoys snow-machining, playing hockey, ice fishing, hunting and doing sports together.

"My mom and my brother came down yesterday and we are looking forward to relaxing, settling in and enjoying time with family," Ms. Abotossaway concluded. "Boston is also looking forward to getting to know his new little brother."

In addition to Tate, the first home birth of the New Year occurred on Monday, January 6 at 3:58 am.

"She was born in the middle of a blizzard," said Earlene Angevine of Manitoulin Midwifery on the first home-birthed baby of the New Year. "Her name is Kaysia Hare and she was seven pounds. She is very cute with curly hair and looks just like her mom."

Kaysia Hare was born to mom Tonya Armstrong and dad Katlin Hare of M'Chigeeng First Nation.

Congratulations to both families and the Island's newest Haweaters.

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Stewardship Council seeks Island input for fracking position

Watch manitoulin.ca for poll and survey

by Michael Erskine
MANITOULIN—The Manitoulin Area Stewardship Council (MASC) wants to gauge Manitoulin Island residents' views on fracking, the controversial oil and gas recovery method using chemical infused water and high pressure steam that has revolutionized the recovery of fossil fuels from what were once considered marginal or non-commercially viable oil plays.

"The council decided to do a survey online," said MASC secretary Therese Trainor. "The Manitoulin Expositor has agreed to host the survey on their website and we have created a preamble and poll question, as well as a survey, to find out what the opinion of the Island is on fracking before they take a position."

The preamble to the survey explains what MASC is, explained Ms. Trainor, and the survey is intended to give the organization good solid data on those expressing a viewpoint. "We really want to know what it is the Island thinks," she said.

The preamble, poll question and survey have been submitted to the members of the MASC board for their review and approval before being posted. "I have not heard back yet from the board members," said Ms. Trainor, but she added that she remains confident that the survey will be ready fairly soon in the New Year.

Concerns about fracking arose recently on Manitoulin with news of a drilling program by the Ontario Geological Society that

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Wiky caps leaking century old oil well

by Michael Erskine
WIKWEMIKONG—King's Day, the Epiphany, comes at the end of the 12 Days of Christmas and has long been celebrated in Wikwemikong, but this year the community had another special reason for celebration as January 6 was the beginning of the end for

two leaking oil wells that have been troubling the community for nearly a century—leaving only 50 or 60 wells left to go.

The community gathered in the community centre for a morning pipe ceremony to the youthful delivery of an opening song per-

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MTA touring Island-wide with new tourism vision

by Michael Erskine
MANITOULIN—The January 2014 newsletter of the Manitoulin Tourism Association gave newly-elected president Ron Berti an opportunity to introduce himself to the membership and to shine a light on his perspective of the challenges facing the tourism industry on the Island, providing some indication of how those challenges can be met by leveraging practices that have proven effective in the past.

"The transformation at our doorstep requires a clean sweep," said Mr. Berti. "As of today, January 1, 2014, we begin charting a new path for the MTA. It will be a

journey, this is for certain, but in many ways I see it will be a journey home. A journey towards things more familiar, to some of the older ways of doing things that still, actually, work fine today, and towards overall simplicity and authenticity."

Mr. Berti went on to note that this does not mean ignoring the impact and tools of the digital age, but that through having a "well thought out, cooperative marketing strategy, a clear vision and plan, and the support of our membership" the MTA "can greatly simplify and reduce the amount of overlap whereby everybody is scrambling to try

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Wikwemikong Chief Duke Peltier is joined by Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes as they assist five-year-old Pahquis Trudeau in a ground breaking ceremony for a project that will cap two leaking oil wells on the reserve.

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One of the large totes at the McLean's Mountain Wind farm project boring site which contains blue antifreeze. Leaks from two containers such as this were discovered on December 20, with 40-50 gallons of spilled fluid.

photos supplied by Ray Beaudry

Vandals suspected in McLean's Mountain wind farm project spill

by Robin Burrige

LITTLE CURRENT—Northland Power Inc. is claiming that vandals may be behind a recent spill at one of its directional boring sites as part of its McLean's Mountain Wind farm Project.

"On December 20, 2013, we were alerted by the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) area officer about a spill at one of the directional boring sites," Sarah Charuk, director of communications for Northland Power, told The Expositor. "Approximately 40-50 gallons of alcohol-based windshield wiper fluid from two containers stored on site used to prevent the freezing of the boring equipment were found with the bottom valves opened. Our contractor (White Construction) stated that the containers were tampered with by vandals, however to our knowledge, police were not notified."

The MOE confirmed the spill when The Expositor inquired stating, "the ministry has notified the company of its obligations to ensure all spilled material is properly cleaned up."

"The ministry was on site this week to monitor the progress of the cleanup work which is continuing," Kate Jordon, a media representative with the MOE, said on Friday, January 3. "We will continue to oversee the situation to ensure that the cleanup has been completed as required and make decisions on any needed future actions."

Northland Power followed up with The Expositor stating that the spill has been contained and the initial cleanup is complete.

"As soon as the contractor (White Construction) was notified of the spill, the contractor arranged for the initial cleanup and ensured that the fluid was contained so it could not leak any further into the environment," explained Ms. Charuk. "The MOE was notified of the spill and cleanup effort through the spill reporting centre. The spill has been fully contained and the initial cleanup in complete. The Northeast Town toured the site on (Monday) December 30 and stated that it is satisfied with the cleanup efforts. The MOE was on site on (Tuesday) December 31 and was also satisfied with the cleanup efforts. In addition to activity already underway, they also asked White Construction to

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Fire destroys home, Mump and Smoot archives and costumes

by Michael Erskine

EVANSVILLE—A quiet Saturday morning took a dramatic turn for an Evansville couple when their home was completely destroyed by a fire. John Turner, Julia Winder and their dog escaped unharmed on January 4, but were left standing in the cold with only the clothes on their back, a ukulele and Mr. Turner's wallet as their beloved home burned to the ground.

"It was Julia that first noticed something was wrong," said Mr. Turner. "She said that she could smell something and noticed a tiny curl of smoke coming from the panel leading to the attic."

Mr. Turner, ironically a local volunteer firefighter himself, grabbed a fire extinguisher and a nearby chair and attempted to douse the fire, but the smoke increased and the couple made the wise decision to leave the building. "I grabbed my wallet and my favourite ukulele on my way out the door," said Mr. Turner.

Unfortunately, Ms. Winder's drums and the many other musical instruments in the home were not so lucky and were soon lost to the flames.

Mr. Turner's name might be familiar to the public due to his connection as the founder and operator of the Manitoulin Clown Farm and to the world at large as one half of the internationally renowned clown duo Mump and Smoot.

In an anything but comic turn, however, the Mump and Smoot archives, as well as Mr. Turner's clown costumes and props, were also consumed by the fire. "All the clippings from when we first start-

ed were lost," said Mr. Turner. "The costumes and props built up over the years are gone." Mr. Turner said that he would just have to recreate the costumes and material, but the upbeat smile on his lips faded from his eyes as he spoke. Some things can never be replaced. "There are a lot of things that had memories attached to them for Julia," said Mr. Turner. "I think that has been hard for her."

The couple are staying with friends while they sort out their lives and make arrangements with their insurance company to replace their home, furnishings and clothes.

"People have been amazingly supportive," said Mr. Turner. "We really can't get over how supportive they have been."

When the fire team arrived, Mr. Turner donned his equipment and joined in the battle to contain the fire, but as with many older buildings, once caught the fire could really only be restricted to the main building. "We poured the water to it, but in the end it was gone."

The cause of the fire is unknown. "We only saw it in the attic, somebody said that it might have worked its way up from below, but we really have no idea," said Mr. Turner. "The insurance adjuster asked us about mice right away. We had the wood stove inspected and certified recently, all that is in order."

The barns and outbuildings at the clown farm have not been impacted by the fire, and equipment such as the snowblower are intact, but of the house and its contents little to nothing remains.

Buddy's proprietor pays up as final action in seven-month battle with town

Northeast Town sign bylaw case against downtown business owner ends with community donation

by Robin Burrige

LITTLE CURRENT—The seven-month battle between Buddy's Liquidation proprietor Aaron Toy and the Northeast Town over Mr. Toy's breach of the town's sign and billboard bylaw finally came to a close last month as Mr. Toy presented the Provincial Offences Court with a receipt reflecting a \$1,000 donation to Manitoulin Family Resources, a condition of his guilty verdict.

"Mr. Toy met his commitment (of donating to a community organization) and presented the receipt of his donation to the court," town CAO David Williamson told The Expositor, noting that Justice of the Peace Darlene Hayden accepted the donation receipt in lieu of a fine

as previously agreed to by the town's attorney.

"I donated \$1,000 (in merchandise) to Manitoulin Family Resources," said Mr. Toy. "They were able to pick out what they needed and mostly chose items for the women's shelter (Haven House)."

As The Expositor previously reported, on Thursday, November 21 Justice Hayden delivered a verdict of guilty in the ongoing case between Buddy's Liquidation owner Aaron Toy and the Northeast Town over Mr. Toy's breach of the town's sign and billboard bylaw.

The town's attorney, Brad Allison, recommended a fine between \$200 to \$300 when asked for input from the court, howev-

er Mr. Toy requested that the fine be doubled and that the funds be donated to a local charity of his choosing.

Mr. Allison stated that neither he nor his client (the town) had any objection to Mr. Toy's request and Justice Hayden directed Mr. Toy to appear back in court on Thursday, December 19, bringing with him a receipt of his charitable donation.

"I'm pretty disappointed in everyone involved in the long run," Mr. Toy told The Expositor of the case. "The fact that it took up so much of the town's resources and money to pursue this seems wrong. I'm just a business owner trying to do what I can for the community and economy."

Over 2,200 birds spotted during 40th annual Mindemoya Christmas Bird Count

by Chris Bell, compiler

CENTRAL MANITOULIN—Two thousand two hundred and sixty-two birds of 51 species were counted at the 40th annual Mindemoya Christmas Bird Count on Saturday, December 14.

Twenty-five birders in nine groups and 30 feeder watchers took part this year.

Two bird species never before seen on the count were found: redhead ducks and the sandhill crane. The pair of redhead ducks was seen on the frigid waters of West Bay where watching conditions were appalling—a strong head wind and steaming waters. Also found there were a black scoter, nine common mergansers, a common loon and a horned grebe.

The sandhill crane was the one with an injured wing that was written up in The Expositor.

It was a very cold day with a wind chill of -29°C in the morning. On the ground was 20 centimetres or more of snow. Many lakes including Kagawong and Manitou had frozen the day before. We worked hard to find 51 species—a little higher total than usual.

Duck and gull numbers were down this year because many birds had departed

south. Sightings of rough-legged hawks were low this fall and just one was seen on the count. Despite a good berry crop there were no bohemian waxwings or robins.

Hairy woodpecker and blue jay numbers have recovered from the lows of last year.

American goldfinches were widespread and the count of 139 purple finches was a record high. Other finches were very hard to find. There were very few reports of pine grosbeaks, common redpolls, pine siskins and one evening grosbeak. It is thought that food supplies were

good in their summer locations and there was no need for the birds to move south to look for food.

Peggy Russell of Learmont Road counted 14 bird species and will receive the 2013 award for most successful feeder watcher. Peggy went out just after midnight to listen for owls and heard the hoots of a barred owl. During the day Peggy found a ruffed grouse, a bald eagle and the only red-winged blackbird.

The Mindemoya Christmas Bird Count is sponsored by the Manitoulin

Nature Club.

Here is the full list of birds seen: 4 gadwall; 34 black ducks; 53 mallards; 4 northern pintails; 2 redheads; 1 black scoter; 1 long-tailed duck; 16 buffleheads; 27 common goldeneye; 12 common merganser; 62 ring-necked pheasants; 6 ruffed grouse; 1 sharp-tailed grouse; 1 common loon; 1 horned grebe; 15 bald eagles; 1 accipiter genus hawk; 1 red-tailed hawk; 1 rough-legged hawk; 1 sandhill crane; 12 herring gulls; 1 glaucous gull; 99 rock pigeons; 161 mourning doves; 1 barred owl; 9 red-bellied woodpeckers; 31 downy woodpeckers; 55 hairy woodpeckers; 12 pileated woodpeckers; 193 blue jays; 89 common crows; 170 common ravens; 22 horned larks; 401 black-capped chickadees; 27 red-breasted nuthatches; 31 white-breasted nuthatches; 3 golden-crowned kinglets; 205 European starlings; 31 American tree sparrows; 19 dark-eyed juncos; 25 northern cardinals; 1 red-winged blackbird; 3 common grackles; 4 brown-headed cowbirds; 2 pine grosbeaks; 139 purple finches; 15 common redpolls; 7 pine siskins; 244 American goldfinches; 1 evening grosbeak; and 6 house sparrows.



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editorial

Small communities need unity to face large interests

A New Year. Early days. The good news is that, all around us, governments, individuals and organizations are striving to make sure 2014 is an improved version of 2013.

Internationally, US President Barack Obama is making certain that he will do whatever he can in his remaining two years as the world's most powerful person to achieve that most sought after commodity: a plan for peace in the Middle East, in particular between the Israeli nation and the Palestinians who remain adamant about having their own state.

His secretary of state, John Kerry, has been tasked with the considerable job of negotiating a "framework agreement" that will eventually lead to a land settlement on which Israeli and Palestinian leaders can all agree.

That's a main stage, big league goal that is being diligently sought as we enter this New Year and thank heaven that these powerful people try to achieve peace, or something like it, in a corner of the world where an outright war, if ever begun, would affect all of us.

Here on Manitoulin, events will move ahead in 2014 that should benefit us all.

The Manitoulin Stewardship Council, for example, is planning to consult Manitoulin people regarding their views on the possibility of oil shale, natural gas and oil extraction on Manitoulin Island.

The process, commonly known as "fracking", is a controversial one.

Ontario's Environmental Commissioner, Gord Miller, the individual that ensures provincial compliance with Ontario's Environmental Bill of Rights (EBR), has recently questioned why this province does not yet have a policy on potential fracking and it is the intention of the Manitoulin Stewardship Council to develop a position appropriate for Manitoulin Island. (By way if interest, the neighbouring province of Quebec has a very simple policy respecting fracking: it's not allowed.) Out in New Brunswick, it's an enormously derisive and emotionally fraught activity, that in fact, was one of the roots of the Idle No More movement in late 2012.

In our tiny corner of the world, such a considered response to a possible environmental threat is similar in kind, just not in degree, to the US Secretary of State's efforts to create a peaceful negotiated settlement of long-held and deeply rooted grievances by the Palestinians against the state of Israel and Israel's defensive response to this.

In the event that Ontario agrees to fracking for oil and natural gas, it will be important to have a united position and a group to lobby on behalf of this special piece of real estate.

It's the beginning of a New Year. We certainly cannot predict the future with pinpoint accuracy at either the international or local levels, but it's important to know that our long-term best interests are a priority.

letters

Wind turbine controversy continues because issues remain unclear

This folly too will be no exception

To the Expositor:

The issue of wind power for the Island continues to be controversial because some issues surrounding these structures have been buried or, at best, not made clear to the public. I for one have the following concerns:

1. Is Northland Power a Canadian company or is it a subsidiary of some offshore consortium seeking to access tax dollars?
2. Is the provincial government subsidizing the erection of these turbines with tax dollars?
3. Why has the province guaranteed Northland Power 15 cents per generated kilowatt hour? My last electric bill indicated a charge of 11.8 cents peak rate charge and 6.3 cents off peak. Why the difference between our current rates and Northland Power's guarantees?
4. We are currently selling excess power out of province for 2.5 cents/KWh.

5. When the turbines are up and running, will the government subsidize the difference in the rates with our tax money, or will our hydro bills reflect the guaranteed rate of 15 cents per KWh?
6. In the matter of connection to the Hydro One grid, who will pay for this very expensive connection and is there a need for an expensive upgrade connection to the transformer station? The turbine to transformer connections will certainly cost millions of dollars and this too will be added to your electricity costs.
7. Is it true that the maximum output of a turbine is only 30 percent of the turbine's initial rating and that only 15 percent will reach the consumer?
8. Why did the hearings not address the very significant problems of noise pollution, environmental impact, or other pertinent issues?

9. Who is behind this push with the false promise of cheap green power with the obvious expense to everyone?

I must speculate as to who reaps the benefits of this wind power decision. Northland Power alone should not accept all the blame for this fiasco; they are in business to make a dollar. The fault clearly lies with the provincial government which chooses to ignore the will of the people and assumes the government knows what is best for everyone. Over the years, the bad decisions of governments have continued to cost us all, as witnessed by the gas plant generation mess, and this folly too will be no exception.

**Wilfred Lawrence
Providence Bay**

Writer urges support letters to MPs for Tory backbencher's bill

Politicians pay close attention to the media, especially local media

To the Expositor:

Last month Michael Chong, a backbench Conservative MP, introduced a bill that those who know politics say could change Canadian politics forever. This bill could be the first step towards ending the iron-fisted control that past, present and future prime ministers and party leaders can exert over our MPs. It could create an atmosphere where civil and constructive debate could be heard where all points of view could be heard.

As of last week over 10,000 people have joined in sending letters to their local MPs. Members of Parliament across the political spectrum have responded by cautiously stepping up to express their support for the bill. These include NDP Democratic Reform critic Craig Scott, Liberal Party leader Justin Trudeau, Green Party leader Elizabeth May, and many members of the Conservative caucus.

The bill has had blanket coverage on TV, print and radio, and now our

MPs are watching closely to see how their constituents will respond as they make up their minds whether to support this bill or not.

The future of democracy is what this Conservative member's bill is all about. So together, we can show our MPs that Canadians overwhelmingly want to see real democratic reforms, and a change in how the House of Commons operates. This is not a new way of conducting parliament. The House of Commons in Great Britain and other Commonwealth countries operate in accordance with what this bill proposes. As we are well aware politicians pay close attention to the media, especially local media, and if enough of us write letters to our MP and to the leaders of all the political parties we, the people, might have a chance in changing how we are governed.

**Jim McKean
Gore Bay**

Kagawong resident lauds councillor's stance on lighthouse

Controls needed on ambitious museum board extensions

To the Expositor:

Kudos to Councillor Brian Parker for shining the spotlight on Billings Township council's in camera negotiations with the federal government for the Billings Lighthouse—the structure standing on land adjacent to the mayor's home and business (Lighthouse debate heats up Billings council, December 11, page 1).

I'm surprised that Councillor Imrie is happy to go into the darkness of an unclear future of what the town might do with this light—which roughly brackets Kagawong Harbour—twinned with another which stands on the end of the breakerwater and entrance to the Small Craft Basin. I have never quite understood why all the fuss about one without discussion of the other. I mean, if I was a boat captain back in the early days coming into Mudge Bay at night, and I headed towards the light to the west of Mayor Hunt's store, I would finish up outside the safe harbour. And if I headed towards the other, I'd risk finishing up on the Benjamin rock pile. Neither ideal—much like this idea!

My problem is not so much with the lighthouse as it is with council's priorities. Less than a decade ago, the township received from the federal government the transfer of title to the government dock—for a nominal dollar—if I have the facts right. There were some terms and conditions attached to that too: maintenance of the dock and operating the harbour being amongst them. I have to say, those liabilities seem to have been forgotten of late—the dock is in need of repair, the harbour long overdue for dredging and the focus of council has moved onto other "distractions." If I represented the federal government, I would probably set some fairly stringent terms and conditions on this deal, even if the lighthouse is of lesser importance to the community than say the harbour

itself.

More to the point: someone needs to put some controls on the growth of the museum and its ambitious extensions like this lighthouse. The museum and the museum board seem to need money out of every Township budget, yet I have never seen any accounts on how those monies are expended and I have certainly never seen any audited numbers from that board contained within the overall town annual audit unlike the Library Board, which produces annual balanced "books" working with far less from the Town than the museum board, it seems.

I guess council should be relieved, though. The town's website hasn't been updated since around May, so council minutes and council meeting dates can only be obtained by visiting council offices. A new website was promised for October, then no later than November 25, but has yet to appear. Maybe when it eventually does, it could include just a little enlightenment on what the business plan for this lighthouse acquisition is, as well as some budgetary numbers from the museum board and some sign that neither will turn into a boat anchor on town resources!

**Paul Darlston
Kagawong**

EDITOR'S NOTE: For clarification, The Expositor contacted Billings clerk-treasurer Kathy McDonald who explained that the museum's books are not audited with the municipality's, but are audited by the same firm. These statements can be accessed through the museum board. Ms. McDonald also explained that the 2013 municipal share of the museum's budget was \$4,600, and that the municipality pays for its hydro, as it is housed in the same building as the municipal offices.

The Iroquois: A large scale model of the T. C. Sims Steamship

by Keith C. Hopkin

The Iroquois was a small wooden steamer built from the hull of the John J. Long in 1902. The steamer was built for the Eastern Manitoulin Royal Mail Steamship Line owned by T.C. Sims of Little Current. When rebuilt, the steamer had a length of 112 feet and a 20-foot beam.

When the Iroquois entered service she carried the mail, passengers and freight from Cutler to eastern Manitoulin Island communities. On summer weekends she made cruises to McGregor Bay and Killarney.

Her various trips went well without any major incidents. But on October 24, 1908, while bound from Little Current to Cutler she ran aground on a shoal 10 miles north-east of Spanish Mills, in the North Channel. She had been running in thick smoke from forest fires in the areas. When the steamer smashed on West Rock, she caught fire from an overturned stove. The fire could not be brought under control. The Iroquois had whistled for help and a rafting tug dropped its boom and steamed through the smoke and rescued all 17 passengers and a crew of five. There was no loss of life. Shortly after she was abandoned, she sank out of sight.

Sometime later the Iroquois was replaced by the much larger steamship, the



Craftsman Keith Hopkin poses with the large scale model of the Iroquois.



The T.C. Sims Steamship Iroquois as she looked circa 1908 when she ran aground in the North Channel.

Bon Ami.

A couple of summers ago while I was visiting the Assiginack Museum in Manitowaning, curator Jeanette Allan showed me a photo of the Iroquois at the Manitowaning dock. I was in awe. I immediately fell in love with the look and the lines of that graceful ship. She had so much charm

and character. Weeks later I located more photos of her and researched the history of this beautiful little wooden steamer. Back then, I did not realize the importance this steamship had on the lives of the individuals that travelled to and from the Island. But for over six years, before the trains, trucks and automobiles arrived she carried passengers and freight items of every description to and from the Manitoulin Island.

I wondered at that time could I build a model that would capture the looks and beauty I saw in that old black and white photo.

On February 18, 2013 I began construction on a 1/24th scale model of the steamship Iroquois once owned by T.C. Sims of Little Current. I had built smaller 1/87th scale models before but hadn't built a model of this size. Since I was unable to find scale drawings or diagrams of this vessel I used a photograph of the Iroquois that I had obtained from the Assiginack Museum. My eldest son Jeremy took this photograph, and enlarged it to 1/24th size of the original 112 foot long Iroquois. It resulted in a model length of just over 56 inches. Then we printed off several enlargements and I used these as the basis for the hull, cabins, windows, doors and every other detail on the ship.

The model has a pine board bottom, a strip wood frame, and cardboard sides, deck and roof. I glued on scale boards 1/16" thick by 1/4" in width over the cardboard hull, wheelhouse and cabin sides to resemble the wood planks used to build the real Iroquois steamship. Brass rods and tubing were used for the wheelhouse railing, ladder, smokestack, whistle, cook-stove chimney, bowsprit, lifeboat davits, anchor davit and flagpoles. The ships steering wheel, fire pails, brass bell, block and tackle items, navigation lanterns, brass portholes, anchors, anchor chains and metal cat holes were purchased at various hobby supply stores. The windows are made from clear styrene. The Victorian figures are made by Preiser of Germany. Jeremy used his computer skills to make the various flags and name boards on my model.

After nine months of overcoming various obstacles and challenges, I completed the model on November 24, 2013. I enjoyed every minute that I spent working on her.

When I told my wife Ann that I had finished the model, she looked at me with worried eyes and said, "Well, now what are you going to do?"

EDITOR'S NOTE: Keith Hopkin, originally from Spring Bay, is a railway, and now ship, enthusiast with a special interest in the rail as it pertained to Manitoulin and area.

more letters

The debate over Lake Manitou development continues

Science as it applies to Lake Manitou not conclusive

To the Expositor:

Most of us had more to do over the holiday season than think about Rob Coulter's rather tortured defence of his desire to freeze development on Lake Manitou.

His letter to the editor of December 18 ("A rebuttal") concedes that there is disagreement on the issue among members of the cottagers association and among members on its executive. But it misses the important point that the executive failed to consult the membership. They haven't even outlined the issue in their newsletter. Yet they and Mr. Coulter have presumed to speak for all of us.

Mr. Coulter's whole position is that Manitou's lake trout are endangered because the Ministry of Natural Resources says so.

He says the ministry was wrong some years ago when it said Lake Manitou could increase by tenfold the number of dwellings on the lake without undue pressure on the environment.

Not so, says Mr. Coulter, because he says that study was based upon what could be tolerated by lakes in the granite of the Precambrian Shield, unlike lakes in Manitoulin's limestone. A remarkable argument.

The trouble with it is that MNR experts later gave Lake Manitou and its lake trout a glowing report card, in 2009. They cited the "innate productivity" of the lake trout in Lake Manitou, and said they grow more than twice as fast

as in other lakes in the region.

An MNR biologist even said that such rapid growth was in fact owing to the limestone environment.

But Mr. Coulter relies upon a measure of dissolved oxygen chosen by the MNR as the "criterion to determine lakeshore development capacity all inland lake trout lakes on the Precambrian Shield."

Even that measure is just an arbitrary policy position, highly debatable as a criterion for development. Under various Canadian and American water quality guidelines for trout lakes the dissolved oxygen in Lake Manitou is at or above desirable levels.

Unable or unwilling to justify its policy and try to establish it as law, the MNR began by imposing it by policy fiat where they could, for lakes contained by crown land in the Precambrian Shield. Now it wants to impose it on Lake Manitou—regardless of the limestone conducive to the trout's good health.

And it wants to do it through a back door, by imbedding it in an Official Plan contrived by bureaucrats rather than lawmakers.

Implausibly, Mr. Coulter disagrees with the government science behind current regulation of septic systems. The gist of his tendentious argument is that they doom lakes to eventual pollution.

So does he argue that existing cottages should be torn

down?

Oh no. Mr. Coulter doesn't even call for upgrading outmoded septic systems deplorably serving old cottages. The Manitoulin Planning Board has wisely called for looking at that rather than a development freeze.

To sum up, the science as it applies to Lake Manitou is not nearly as conclusive as Mr. Coulter, who is himself not a scientist, would have us believe.

Nor has the MNR's position been tested by a public environmental assessment review, much less consideration of socio-economic concerns in achieving a sound and balanced policy.

Mr. Coulter doesn't interest himself with such considerations. In effect, he would wrap Lake Manitou in a provincial park with no compensation to landowners. He would grant cottagers continued seclusion and immediately drive up the market value of their vacation homes—at the expense of allowing taxable land development to help support needy communities.

Mr. Coulter may be sincere in a mistaken belief that the science is conclusive and should trump everything else.

But it would have been nice if he had disclosed his family's personal interest as cottagers on the lake.

Perry Anglin
Lake Manitou

Writer takes issue with First Nations leaders on education rights and funding

All schools should be racially integrated with all the other facets of "our beautiful Canadian mosaic"

To the Expositor:

Chief Madahbee wrongly states that the shortfall in funding for aboriginal schools "stems from the failure of the federal government in its treaty obligations ('First Nations vow to oppose education act, December 23, page 17')." Which treaty is he talking about? None of the treaties affecting the Manitoulin or North Shore—the 1836 Bond Head, the 1850 Robinson Huron, or the 1862 Manitoulin—mentions funding for education or education "rights" at all!

Chief Beardy wrongly states that aboriginals have the "inherent right to establish and control our own educational systems." There's no law or treaty that says that either. With respect, he's confusing a political wish with a legal right.

cal wish with a legal right.

Aboriginal youth, based on the honour of the Crown principle, do have the moral and legal right to a properly and equally funded, good education, and they should get that.

But the Native-run, "Natives-only" school system that Native elites are demanding would not be good for aboriginal youth. In fact it would be harmful to them.

American studies have shown that racially integrated schools produce far better academic outcomes and far better life outcomes for their students than do segregated schools. Thus it would be far more positive for our Canadian aboriginal youth

to attend school with the youth of all the other races, ethnicities and religions that make up our beautiful Canadian mosaic.

The Bible teaches us that "God made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the earth." (Acts 17-26)

Martin Luther King, who fought against segregation all his life, drew on the Bible to preach the unity of all mankind and to fight for the right of black youth to attend racially integrated schools.

Nelson Mandela preached racial unity and racial integration—one set of laws for all, including one public school system for all. He exemplified the inspiring moral example of living in a manner that transcended colour and race.

The Bible and these great moral leaders tell us what we already instinctively know—that we are all equal in the eyes of God. This is a fundamental tenet of both our Western value system and native spiritual teachings.

To be the best example possible for our young people, and for their best interests, we should all be trying to put these highest and best values and teachings into practice. One way to do so is for all our young people, Native and non-Native alike, to be educated in one racially integrated public school system.

Yours truly,

Peter Best
Sudbury

MTO Minister rebuts claims GTA transit will be funded by other communities

Divisive Hudak PC plan will pit region against region to pay for expensive subway expansions

EDITOR'S NOTE: Transportation and Infrastructure Minister Glen Murray has released the following letter to all communities outside of the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area.

To the Expositor:

The Ontario Liberal government is having an honest conversation about the need for transit funding in Ontario. But let's be clear: people in Windsor, Thunder Bay, in Cornwall or Kenora will not be funding transit in the Greater Toronto and Hamilton Area.

It should be noted that a final decision on how to pay for transit has not yet been made. We are not rushing into this and we are listening to the best experts. We will be reviewing these recommendations and proposing our plan in the spring budget.

But here's what we do know: by investing in public transit, families will spend less of their household budget on

car payments, gas and commuting. As well, by relieving congestion and gridlock in the GTHA, we'll stop losing annually between \$6 and \$11 billion in productivity and wages.

And another thing we know: our plan won't rob Peter to pay Paul by pitting one region's infrastructure priorities against another's. On Thursday, Tim Hudak said, "I'm convinced that Ontario's economic revival is going to start in our cities," which is why he would rather fund subways in Toronto by cancelling rural and Northern infrastructure projects in North Bay, Owen Sound and Northumberland County, than do what's right.

The divisive Hudak PC plan will pit region against region in order to pay for their expensive subway expansion plan. Tim Hudak has been clear—his expensive plan will mean deep cuts to Ontario's education and healthcare

budgets, including full-day Kindergarten and hospital expansions. Their proposal will build Toronto subways instead of schools, hospitals and municipal infrastructure in Timmins, London, Dryden, and Midland.

Our plan will address the needs of every region of this province—like we have recently done with our \$100 million Small, Rural and Northern Infrastructure Fund that has built bridges, roads and culverts across Ontario since the spring—without jeopardizing the gains we've made. The Ontario Liberals believe in One Ontario and understand that all communities have unique transportation and infrastructure challenges that need to be addressed.

Hon. Glen Murray
Ontario's Minister of Transportation
and Infrastructure

Central Manitoulin Council Notes

Short meeting caps 2013 council

The conclusion of the 2013 round of meetings of the Central Manitoulin municipal council was short, ending in a round of holiday greetings and best wishes for the New Year.

Police costing analysis to be conducted

A recommendation from the services committee that the town staff be directed to complete an analysis of the municipality's current policing costs for council's review was passed without debate. The review hopes to determine the impact of the new billing model being set forward by the OPP on the municipality's policing costs prior to supporting a motion by Seguin Township, which opposes the proposal for a new billing model for charging municipalities for policing services in 2015. The new model will base costs more on households per municipality (including seasonal residences and hunting properties) according to MPAC records than the current model. The current model also charges more based on the number of occurrences in a municipality, a model that some analysts suggest

impacts harder on municipalities that contain a health centre within their boundaries.

Reports accepted by council

The November 2013 year-to-date services expenditure report was accepted as presented by the services committee, without debate. The proposed 2014 services capital budget was accepted as circulated by the services committee and forwarded to the committee of the whole for consideration. The meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, January 8.

The year-to-date financial report for November 2013 was accepted by council as circulated by the works committee and passed without debate.

The capital budget was accepted by the council as circulated, with changes as noted on the document and forwarded for consideration to the committee as a whole.

New food bank facility supported

In a motion from Councillor Ted Taylor and seconded by Derek Stephens, council agreed to support in principle Manitoulin

Family Resource's proposed new Help Centre building, to be located in the vicinity of the current building on property owned by the municipality.

The motion came forward following a public meeting where two deputations had voiced their concerns and offered alternatives to the proposed site.

"We support it in principle," noted Mayor Gerry Strong. "But we still need to see the plans."

"I want to emphasize that I am not opposed to the food bank," said Councillor Adam MacDonald, but suggested that he was still not certain that the proposed location was appropriate. "It is in the interests of the municipality to ensure it is located in the proper location."

"We normally would not have had any say about it," noted Mayor Strong, referring to the normal process of building structures wherein any property owner can build on properly zoned property, provided all codes and setbacks are met. "But it is on our property."

Councillor MacDonald repeated his support of the food bank being in the com-

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Law & Order

OPP Community Satisfaction Survey to be conducted this January

A Community Satisfaction Survey is scheduled to start in January to solicit public opinions about the services the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) delivers to communities throughout Ontario.

The Community Satisfaction Survey is a telephone survey that randomly selects members of the public (16 years or older) who live in Ontario. The survey takes about five to seven minutes to complete and is strictly voluntary. Those contacted and willing to participate are asked about issues such as community security, perceptions of crime and youth issues in the community, OPP presence in the community, service delivery and even how the OPP investigates crime and enforces the law.

The information provided by those surveyed is being collected by a research consultant, R.A. Malatest & Associates Ltd. that has been retained by the Ministry of Community Safety and Correctional Services. The information is treated confidentially and the names, telephone numbers, and addresses of those surveyed will not be included in the survey results provided to the OPP.

The results of the completed survey will be used to assist with developing the OPP Business Action Plan and the Annual Report. The information gathered will be useful in helping the OPP set goals and objectives to improve on the services it delivers to communities throughout Ontario.

These surveys are done throughout the province on a three-year schedule. Results from the 2013 survey are available on the

OPP.ca website at this link.

The provincial survey will start in early or mid-January and is expected to be completed by March 30, 2014. We would like to thank those who participate in the Community Satisfaction Survey for taking the time to help the OPP in its Vision of 'Safe Communities, A Secure Ontario.'

OPP wraps up 2013 festive RIDE campaign

An early thank you to Ontario drivers seems to have paid off for the Ontario Provincial Police (OPP) as they report significantly fewer impaired driving charges and Warn Range Suspension totals for their 2013 Festive RIDE (Reduce Impaired Driving Everywhere) Campaign.

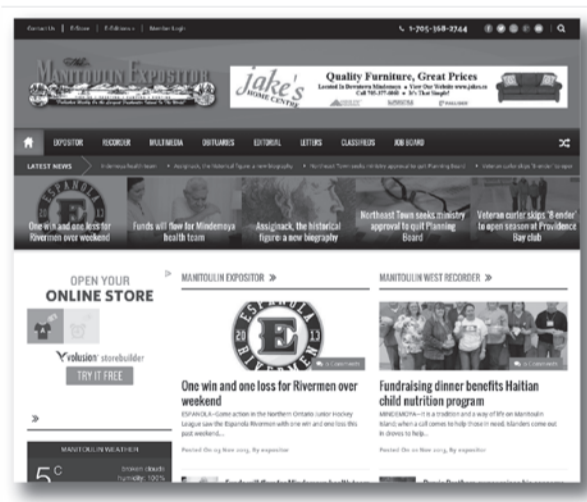
The campaign ran from November 23 to January 2, 2014 and during that time the OPP laid 578 impaired driving charges and issued 481 Warn Range Suspensions throughout the province. In comparison, during last year's (2012) campaign, the OPP laid 693 impaired driving charges and issued 625 Warn Range Suspensions.

While the OPP is pleased to see the numbers significantly lower in both categories, this year's charges still serve as a reminder that a small number of impaired drivers threatened the lives of other road users over the holidays. The OPP would like to see all Ontario drivers make driving sober a New Year's resolution for 2014.

The OPP would again like to thank Ontarians who helped carry out a successful campaign by not drinking and driving, not letting family and friends drive while impaired by drugs or alcohol and for calling 9-1-1 to report suspected impaired drivers.

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Off-the-“Rock” bantams

I have missed reporting on a few of our 13 and 14 year old bantams who are spending a lot of time this winter off of Manitoulin playing AAA hockey. **Alex Smith**, who has always committed to the huge weekly commute time, is living in Sudbury this season and has a bit more spare time. Although, the young Gore Bay expat is not sitting around playing video games. Among other things, he is spending time playing another sport, having made the Lo Ellen Knights basketball team.

As far as his hockey is concerned, Alex had a rough season last year due a serious knee injury. After surgery, last spring, Alex worked hard during his rehabilitation, including an intensive on and off ice training program at the renowned Shattuck-St. Mary's in Minnesota this past summer.

His Nickel City Sons team is leading the NOHA AAA Major Bantam League with a dominant, 21-5-4 record. Individually, Alex is currently 9th in the league point stats with 31 points in 30 games! The team is in the Toronto Marlies Tournament over the holidays and the International Silver Stick Tournament at Port Huron in January. As of press time, the Sons have split their games in the prestigious tournament. They lost one to Guelph and then beat a Connecticut squad. In the long-term the team is shooting for their season goal of finishing the season with a league title and a berth to the Provincial Championships. Good luck Alex!

Catching up with some of the other Island AAA Bantams, and some direct competition with the Sons, are the Sudbury Wolves' Bantams. There are a number of important Manitoulin players skating for the Wolves. **Tanner Webkamigad** is a powerful defenseman who has 9 points in his 29 matches. Gore Bay's **Parker Dickinson** has had a shorter season but is always contributing with his high energy play. Rounding out the trio of locals is **Gregory Trudeau-Paquet** who is always dangerous around the net and has 20 points in his 30 games.

Winterfest tournament needs teams

The annual Little Current Lions Club Winterfest Tournament is coming up at the end of the month and they usually fill their roster for the Sportsman Tournament pretty quickly. At this point they do have a couple of openings for one more women's team and one more oldtimers' (50 plus) squad. Fortunately, or unfortunately depending on your position, organizers have replaced the 35ers with a women's division this year. Hopefully there will be a lot less drama?! The big weekend goes from January 31 to February 2 at the NEMI Recreation Centre. Fees are \$450 per team, with proceeds to the Little Current Lions Club. If your squad wants to get in the event contacts are Bruce Burnett at 705-368-3163 or email bbruce_52@yahoo.ca or Aaron Case at 705-368-3461, mail him at aaron@manitoulin.ca

Rivermen check-in

The Espanola Rivermen have been a real force during the first half of the NOJHL season. The newly minted Junior A squad is currently in third place in the 8-team league. After 33 games, the team is in a strong position with its 20 wins and 13 loss record. Local skater **Nevada Waindubence** is affiliated with the team and has a couple of points in his six games with the team. The Rivermen play at home this Friday, January 10 against their north shore rival Elliot Lake Bobcats.

Snowshoe saunter?

Ever want to float over the snow like the rabbits around here? If you want to try it in a controlled environment, how about groomed trails even? Gordons' Park is open this winter and they have turned their hiking trails into snowshoe trails. They are open Saturdays and Sundays from 10 am to 4 pm, and other times by appointment. They are also open for Guided Moonlight Snowshoes Excursions, held under the full moon in January, February, and March. Gordon's Park is on Highway 6 close to 542.

Happy New Year!

As we enter a new year and all the promises of a fresh slate, I would like to wish everyone the very best this year in their own health. Hopefully you can make even a small improvement in your fitness level as study after study extols the benefits. Cheers.

A good sport is good for sports.
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Swing Bridge Classic

The Jordan Chandler-skipped rink took home the top honours in the second annual Swing Bridge Classic Funspiel held at the Little Current Curling Club December 28 and 29. The successful funspiel saw 24 teams take part with players made up of all skill levels and included a dance and potluck supper. The winning rink consisted of, from left, Denise Graham, lead, Jordan Chandler, skip, Paulette Glaude, vice, and Kevin Aelick, second.

Inaugural NOJHL showcase this weekend

ESPANOLA—Pointstreak Sports Technologies Inc. is excited to announce the first annual showcase weekend hosted by the Espanola Rivermen this weekend, January 10-11. A total of four regular season league games will be played at the Espanola Regional Recreation Complex. This showcase opportunity will provide a platform for coaches, managers and scouts of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS), Central Hockey League (CHL), American Collegiate Hockey Association and National Hockey League to see all the players and student athletes of the Northern Ontario Junior Hockey League (NOJHL) participating in one central location.

Pointstreak Sports Technologies Inc. will be providing their real-time platform for the event so all interested stakeholders can follow the games as they happen. "We have a long standing relationship with the Junior A hockey programs throughout North America that have benefited from our technology platforms and we look forward to bringing this to the NOJHL," said Pointstreak Vice President Brent Grieve. "Having worked with Tim Clayden and head coach Tom McCarthy has been very rewarding. Through Pointstreak Performance we have helped their teams deliver a platform that provides their student athletes' academic and athletic abilities added exposure to colleges and universities throughout Canada and the United States."

Espanola Team Governor and Director of Operations Tim Clayden said, "We are an organization that has worked in partnership and enjoyed success in moving over 80 players onto the next level with Pointstreak Performance for the last 11 years. Due to our geography and the secluded nature of our market I believe an association with Pointstreak for the entire league will be a very important advancement in the overall exposure of our student-athletes. Improving technology and creating events like the one in January in Espanola break geographical barriers and make it easier for scouts and recruiters to evaluate our players first hand."

"I am especially excited about this inaugural event, these types of showcases coupled with the

most advanced sports technologies are pivotal in promotion of our players and the NOJHL," said head coach Tom McCarthy. "The technology Pointstreak provides will enhance our opportunity to help all our NOJHL student athletes in their quest to further their hockey and academic careers."

The Espanola franchise has seen a number of players from its 2012-13 roster graduate to the NCAA, CIS and the OHL.

This Friday, January 10 sees Elliot Lake take on the Rivermen at 7:30 pm at the Espanola complex while Saturday games include Kirkland Lake versus Blind River at 1:30 pm, Abitibi verses the Soo at 4:15 pm and Sudbury versus North Bay at 7:15 pm.

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munity, but also reiterated his concerns about the proposed location.

“The group that is going to build it and the volunteers who have raised the money, they are the ones’ who have decided the location is the best for their purposes,” said Councillor Stephens. “Other groups have said that it will help the entire Island community. As much as some neighbours have complained, I will support it as it helps the municipality.”

“We met with the administration,” said Councillor MacDonald, but noted that he hoped to be able to meet with the volunteer board in the future.

Administrators at Manitoulin Family Resources said, when questioned after the meeting, that the committee had investigated other locations before reaching the conclusion that the proposed site beside their current facility was the best option.

The motion supporting the facility in principle passed.

Ride Manitoulin receives \$3,000 donation

A request from the organizers of Ride Manitoulin for a donation of \$3,000 for the 2014 event received a positive nod from the council. “This is an equivalent amount as in the past,” said Mayor Gerry Strong.

“I am surprised to see this coming forward,” said Councillor MacDonald.

“That being said, this municipality has supported this for the past four years,” said Councillor Derek Stephens. “I would strongly encourage council to support it.”

The motion carried without further debate.

Five-year recycling contract awarded to NWRC

A \$195,000 per year, five-year contract to collect Central Manitoulin’s recycling was awarded to the current service supplier, with some councillors and the mayor expressing misgivings about entering into a contract locked in at five years with a three percent increase, when the municipality had not yet decided on its course of action regarding trucking waste out of the community.

“I thought about this issue and have expressed my concerns about it being locked in,” said Mayor Gerry Strong. “With the clause in the contract built in, we can’t break out that part. We can’t tender out for hauling, I am opposed to it. I feel we need to be able to truck out the whole.” Mayor Strong said that by combining the trucking contracts for waste and recycling the municipality should be able to leverage considerable savings.

Mayor Strong called for a recorded vote.

Councillor Adam MacDonald noted that the municipality had sent requests for proposals “to three different companies. This is the only one we heard back from,” he said, noting that the lack of alternatives to deal with the recycling in the interim tied the municipality’s hands in the matter. “Yes, this is an increase, but we have had it locked in previously for three years. We don’t have a lot of options. I don’t see a lot of wiggle room here.”

Councillor Stephens said that he too was dismayed at the lack of alternatives. “The comments you made are valid,” he said. “I do wish we had more wiggle room. I would like to have seen a change in the contract. I am undecided.”

“They are taking more recycling than they have been,” said Councillor Taylor.

Councillor Gloria Haner was less concerned about the three percent cost rise as well. “I look at the cost of fuel and machinery needed to do the job and three percent for

five years is reasonable,” she said. “If we don’t have anything else in the contract, it is our fault.”

Councillor Beverly Cannard Pearson noted that the committee had a lot of discussion on the issue.

Councillor MacDonald noted that the contract clause on hauling only becomes an issue if the landfill cannot continue to meet the community’s needs. “The only chance that it kicks in is if we are hauling,” he said. “It only becomes an issue if our present landfill can’t (take further waste) and if we have to take it to Espanola.”

“If we tender to haul it, my concern is that if taken together, we would get a better price,” countered Mayor Strong.

The recorded vote saw Councillors Cannard Pearson, MacDonald, Taylor and Haner vote in favour and Councillor Stephens join Mayor Strong in voting against the motion.

Parks added to budget


The \$20,000 parks budget was forwarded to the committee of the whole for addition to the 2014 budget.

Pearson Cup a community festival

Council declared January 10, 11 and 12, the dates of the Pearson Cup, a community festival.

Manitoulin Minor Hockey Association standings as of January 6

#	TYKE	GP(18)	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA	PIM
1.	LC CARTER	9	8	0	1	17	83	28	0
2.	LC BREWER	9	6	3	0	12	55	36	0
3.	GORE BAY	8	5	3	0	10	51	28	0
4.	MINDEMOYA	7	3	3	1	7	36	32	0
5.	MANITOWANING	9	2	6	1	5	29	45	0
5.	M’CHIGEENG	7	2	4	1	5	28	48	0
7.	WIKY	7	0	7	0	0	9	74	0
#	NOVICE	GP(20)	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA	PIM
1.	LITTLE CURRENT	10	8	1	1	17	72	45	2
2.	MINDEMOYA	10	7	2	1	15	62	35	6
3.	GORE BAY	9	4	3	2	10	44	35	24
4.	M’CHIGEENG	9	4	5	0	8	37	44	4
5.	MANITOWANING	10	3	7	0	6	27	42	2
6.	WIKY	8	0	8	0	0	18	59	8
#	ATOM	GP(20)	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA	PIM
1.	GORE BAY	8	8	0	0	16	87	10	2
2.	M’CHIGEENG	8	6	2	0	12	100	29	37
3.	MINDEMOYA	8	5	3	0	10	61	33	4
4.	WIKY	6	3	3	0	6	19	48	12
5.	LITTLE CURRENT	7	1	6	0	2	19	73	6
6.	MANITOWANING	9	0	9	0	0	18	111	4
#	PEEWEE	GP(20)	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA	PIM
1.	MINDEMOYA	9	9	0	0	18	74	15	20
2.	GORE BAY	8	4	4	0	8	50	38	58
2.	LITTLE CURRENT	8	3	3	2	8	45	39	30
4.	WIKY	8	2	5	1	5	38	53	28
4.	MANITOWANING	9	2	6	1	5	35	59	18
6.	M’CHIGEENG	8	1	5	2	4	40	59	56
#	BANTAM	GP(20)	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA	PIM
1.	M’CHIGEENG	10	9	0	1	19	92	22	65
2.	MANITOWANING	10	7	1	2	16	61	29	53
3.	MINDEMOYA	9	3	5	1	7	36	48	84
4.	WIKY	8	2	5	1	5	22	37	40
5.	GORE BAY	9	2	7	0	4	28	62	37
6.	LITTLE CURRENT	8	1	6	1	3	17	43	34
#	MIDGET	GP(20)	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA	PIM
1.	GORE BAY	8	6	1	1	13	70	27	79
2.	M’CHIGEENG	9	5	2	2	12	46	31	98
3.	MINDEMOYA	8	2	5	1	5	37	48	144
4.	MANITOWANING	8	2	6	0	4	31	54	114
4.	WIKY	9	2	7	0	4	35	59	103




Manitoulin Secondary School

Player Profile

By Meranda Noble

Public Relations, M.S.S. Athletic Association




Connor Croft

This devoted and enthusiastic athlete has been involved in many sports teams and this is only his second year at MSS! Connor Croft is in Grade 10 this year and enjoys hockey and basketball. Going back to when Connor attended C. C. McLean Public School, he engaged in a variety of many different sports including cross-country, basketball, volleyball, soccer, track and field, and baseball! He won the Citizenship Award and the Mark Ford Award in Public School as well! Last year, when Connor came to MSS he participated on the volleyball, basketball and track and field team all in his Grade 9 year! Connor made it to NOSSA for javelin, shot put, and relay! This year Connor is now on the basketball team again! He is looking forward to track and field this year, and is hoping to make it to NOSSA again! Another sport that Connor might try out for this year is badminton! Away from school sports Connor has played defence in hockey for many years, he has played for the Manitoulin Panthers for three years and is now playing on the Gore Bay House league Midget team! Hockey is his favourite sport because he enjoys how competitive it is and that it is a fun game. On Connor’s time away from school and sports he enjoys hanging out with friends, and cutting grass and doing random work to help out! Connor’s favourite subject in school would either be science or gym. His favourite thing about school is that he gets to socialize and see his friends! In the next two years of Connor attending MSS, he is looking forward to playing on the volleyball, basketball, track and field, and possibly the MSS boys’ hockey team! After school, Connor would like to move up North to work and get away from city life. Best of luck on all of your future adventures and goals Connor!

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Manitoulin Health Centre Board Minutes

MHC board learns of investments

The last Manitoulin Health Centre (MHC) meeting began with a presentation from Steve Smith of Beutel Goodman Private Client Group, the company that manages MHC's investment portfolio.

Mr. Smith explained that he was there to familiarize the new board members with his and Beutel Goodman's role.

He explained how the hospital's portfolio has been developed and managed, as well as reviewing MHC's portfolio performance over the last seven years, noting that "Since inception in January of 2006, the MHC portfolio has returned 5.47 percent annually, which is equal to a gain of 51.7 percent."

Chief Executive Officer report

MHC CEO Derek Graham reviewed his November report with the board, beginning with MHC's proposals under the Small Hospital Innovation Funding.

"As I reported previously, MHC has submitted proposals under the Small Hospital Innovation Funding," said Mr. Graham. "Decisions have not yet been forthcoming from the North East Local Health Integration Network (NE LHIN) that relate to funding for the hardware and software that supports the building of the electronic medical records, a joint proposal with Espanola and Blind River for a shared data analyst position, a quality/integration lead for MHC and the Island's health care services, continuation funding for the non-urgent patient transport service with Espanola through the Manitoulin-Sudbury District Services Board, and a senior's care lead to help link together the complex needs of the elderly in coordination with the regional geriatric program out of Sudbury. I am told we may get a letter before the end of the week."

Mr. Graham added that a one percent small hospital base funding from the NE LHIN, which was announced previously in the Ontario budget, is still outstanding, but that he expects that information would come in the same letter later in the week.

"Work continues on the next phase of the Meditech deployment," said Mr. Graham. "Patient Care Documentation module staff training is underway in ambulatory clinic areas."

"The recent funding announcement by the ministry (Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care) for the Mindemoya site FHT (Family Health Team) construction enable the project to move immediately to detailed architectural design and the creation of the tender documents," explained Mr. Graham.

Next, Mr. Graham informed the board that that the information gathering from each department with respect to alignment of department level plans that corresponds to MHC's Strategic Plan is underway.

"MHC's article on local health alignment efforts was recently featured in an OHA publication, 'Enhancing Access Through Integration: How small, rural and Northern hospitals are innovating partnerships,'" he was pleased to note. "Also, the deputy minister of health, Saad Rafi, announced his intention to step down from his position early next year and this will have big impacts as his replacement hasn't been named yet."

Finally, Mr. Graham concluded his report by explaining that the government of Ontario has initiated a review of the Local Health Integration Act. "A review committee has been struck and is charged with responsibility for this review," he said. "A report must be returned to the house within the year."

Chief Nursing Officer report

MHC Chief Nursing Officer Mary Lynn Wright began her November report by discussing efficiency and risk.

"Additional funding has been received to support the chemotherapy volume provided and recertification of one of the chemo nurses has been completed," explained Ms. Wright.

Regarding patients, Ms. Wright noted that two nurses had attended an acute care trauma symposium in Sudbury.

"Ongoing efforts are occurring with community partners to promote and maintain IV therapy in the home," added Ms. Wright. "A discharge planning meeting was held this week, with seniors' services and palliative care being discussed."

Ms. Wright explained that she and one of the MHC's employees attended the OHA convention.

"It was very worthwhile and informative," continued Ms. Wright. "There were several excellent speakers discussing team work, communication, motivation and integration. A double lung transplant recipient talked about the importance of being an organ donor, stressing that one donor could save eight lives. Several speakers talked about safety and quality in health care, promoting system standardization, which ties to the ministry's quality based procedures project. A futurist talked about potentials in health care with stem cell work, neuro implants and medications for cancer and aging prevention."

Financial report

MHC Chief Financial Officer Lynn Foster presented a financial highlights report for October.

In her overview of operations she stated, "After seven months of operation in our 2013-2014 fiscal year, MHC ends with a \$315,000 surplus."

"The \$316,000 positive variance in revenues together with the \$215,000 positive variance in expenses leaves MHC with an overall positive variance of \$441,000," she added.

Ms. Foster next discussed the investment performance, stating that MHC's investment portfolio has been managed by Beutel Goodman since January 2006 and thanking Mr. Smith for his presentation.

"MHC's assets under management at book value are equal to \$4,307,504 with a fair market value of \$4,843,168," said Ms. Foster. "The asset mix is currently 45 percent fixed income and 56 percent equity, per board policy. The average annualized return since joining the fund (January 2006) is 6.64 percent, with the 12-month rolling average return at 17.69 percent."

For capital asset purchases, Ms. Foster explained, "to date, MHC has spent approximately \$311,000 on capital assets; \$140,000 on radiology equipment funded by campaign donations, \$82,000 on portable x-ray units (partly funded), \$82,000 on various other items and \$7,000 on

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...MTA touring Island-wide with new tourism vision

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and put the pieces together on their own."

Mr. Berti went on to announce that in the coming weeks the organization would be launching the new MTA Tourism Concept and Marketing Strategy for Manitoulin Island and the North Shore. "We will send a notice of the schedule of public presentations for the membership, which will take place across the Island."

The longtime hand on the helm of the successful Deba-jehmujig Theatre Group, based in the renovated and repurposed Mastin Building in Manitowaning, said that the MTA is "extremely excited to move to the next stage and to

begin working together in a fresh new direction."

"It may feel like we are putting on a comfy old sweater than a new designer hoodie, but that is a good thing," he said.

The MTA board will be holding its first meeting of 2014 on January 22, where Mr. Berti will be presenting the marketing strategy for the first time.

In the meantime, Mr. Berti said he and his daughter are taking creative advantage of the opportunities provided by the recent massive snowfalls. If Mother Nature gives you bountiful snowfalls, you might as well make intricate snow forts. "You make the best of what comes your way," he said. And today, that is plenty of construction snow.

...Wikwemikong caps leaking century old oil well

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formed on the hand drum and sung by five-year-old Pahquis Trudeau, followed by presentations by Chief Duke Peltier and resources coordinator Stitch Manitowabi, and comments by Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes and Councillor Erronal Gray of the Indian Resource Council (IRC). The IRC is an advocacy organization of oil-producing First Nations communities and assists those communities in dealing with issues regarding oil and gas resources.

Ms. Hughes' remarks centred on the need to ensure that the federal government should continue to fund the proper capping and rehabilitation of all oil and gas wells abandoned on First Nation territories under the government's watch.

The IRC representative outlined the process that would be undertaken to cap the two wells whose rehabilitation is to be funded by the federal government.

"These wells are not only going to be capped and properly sealed, the land around them will be rehabilitated," said Chief Peltier. An important factor considering in some cases the wells have been in place for almost a century.

Following the presentations and a community feast, the assembly travelled to the site of one of the leaking oil wells for a ground breaking ceremony.

One of the two wells slated for rehab already has a service rig onsite, just awaiting a final permit from the federal government to begin work. The other pipe will require a lot more finesse, as it lies between two existing homes and has a nearby power line to complicate matters.

Eastern Oil Field Services, the successful contractor that bid to complete the work on the leaking wells, highlighted the process.

In the case of the first well, the existing failing plug (con-

crete and sometimes including a cedar plug) will be removed and the pipe cleared of any oil and water. A new, more advanced concrete plug will then be poured and cured in the pipe. The concrete in the new plug is specially formulated to resist corrosion from sulfur, even though the company said it was not anticipating that being a problem at these sites.

The pipe will then be cut at least six feet from the top and welded shut, then the ground regraded following soil testing to determine the level of contamination.

Number two well will require shielding of some sort be put in place to prevent the 40-plus foot service rig from coming into contact with the 30-foot high hydro wires.

The GPS locations of the wells will be recorded for future reference.

Although finally having these two wells properly capped and dealt with is a cause for celebration, Chief Peltier noted that there are still far too many leaking and suspect wells in the community.

"There is another leaking well just 200 metres away from the one that is leaking between the two houses," he said. "There are a lot more that need to be done, this is just the beginning of this journey."

Chief Peltier said that his community is being given the story by the government that there is only so much money available for this work each year, but he said he isn't buying into that.

"I don't think you can place an artificial cost on the environment," he said, "or the health of the community. We don't know if it has entered the water system."

Golder Associates has been hired to conduct oil sampling to determine the extent of the contamination from the wells.

...Stewardship Council seeks Island input for fracking position

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included data from the Island in its report. Although there was recent drilling data in the OGS report, the holes drilled on Manitoulin that provided the local data contained within the report were actually drilled in 1984—more recent holes were drilled in the geological formations that extend through Manitoulin on the lower Bruce Peninsula.

Fracking has been banned by legislation in Quebec and the Ontario government is currently reviewing its policy and regulations on the practice.

New Brunswick has been wracked by First Nations protests over fracking exploration in its fields, including highway blockades and the torching of police vehicles during the emotionally charged confrontations and local First Nations leaders have expressed adamant opposition to any suggestion that the practice might take place locally.

When the survey and poll go live, they will be made available online to the public at www.manitoulin.ca. Get the heads up when they are ready by following us on Twitter at @man_expositor or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/ManitoulinExpositor.

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Over 200 awards and bursaries presented to MSS grads at annual awards night

by Robin Burridge

M'CHIGEENG—It was a full house of proud parents, teachers and community members for the 44th annual Manitoulin Secondary School (MSS) Awards Night held late last month.

The 2013 MSS graduate processional was led by Faith Beaudin, Eric Harper, Zachary McCulligh, Jessey Newburn and Courtney Oswald.

The singing of 'O Canada' was led by the MSS Vocal Group, accompanied by Chris Theijsmeijer and members of the MSS band.

Principal Laurie Zahnow welcomed those in attendance, expressing how proud she was of the graduates and thankful for the communities' support through the awards night.

"I am so proud of all of our graduates and very pleased that all of you could be here tonight to celebrate their success," said Ms. Zahnow.

She also noted that "due to the generosity of our Manitoulin Island community, over \$48,000 will be awarded to our graduates this evening."

"Our graduates are part of Manitoulin Secondary School's colourful history," continued Ms. Zahnow. "Their contributions have left a unique mark on our school. It is our sincere hope that we have been able to prepare our graduates with the skills necessary to be successful in their chosen area of interest. We at MSS have every confidence that our graduates will continue to be outstanding citizens of our Canadian communities. We trust that we have played an important role in assisting them to accomplish their goals."

"We thank our parents and community for their ongoing and overwhelming support of MSS," she added. "It is due to the generous contributions of our community that we are able to assist our students in their post secondary endeavours."

Ms. Zahnow also thanked the Manitoulin Student Aid Committee who "worked very hard to ensure that tonight's awards have been distributed appropriately and fairly."

Following the invocation from Reverend Jim McKean, Ms. Zahnow introduced the evening's guests including Rainbow District School Board (RDSB) trustees Grace Fox and Larry Killens, RDSB Director of Education Norm Blaseg and superintendent Bruce Bourget and Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes.

"Students, as you move on to your other education institutes, our wish for you is that you walk in balance and build a place where you can continue to live in harmony and peace," said Ms. Fox.

"We ask you to consider where each award came from tonight and the support and love coming from the community around you," added Ms. Killens.

"Graduating is not so much of a closing of a chapter, but the opening of another," said Ms. Hughes during her address to the 2013 graduates. "No matter what direction you take, you will continue to develop skills that will make you a life-long learner. I congratulate you all and wish you well on your future endeavours."

Throughout the night over 200 awards and bursaries were presented to the 2013 MSS graduates, in addition to a few current students.

The A. J. BUS LINES AWARD (2) \$250.00

To two deserving students continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Cheryl Harper to Jordan Trudeau and Brad Van Alphen.

ALL SAINTS' ANGLICAN CHURCH GOOD SAMARITAN BURSARY (2) \$150.00

Awarded to one boy and one girl in the graduating class who demonstrate the Christian principles of caring and compassion. Presented by Mrs. Leslie Marshall to Rachel Bondi and Alex Gainforth.

DOUGLAS ALLEN BURSARY (2) \$250.00

To two students continuing post-secondary education and for excellence in English. Presented by Ms. Willa Wilson to Liam Campbell and Julie Casson.

ART DEPARTMENT AWARD (2) Gifts

To two deserving graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Ina Wesno to Liam Campbell and Elizabeth Oswald.



The 2013 MSS Ontario Scholars include Mallory Bailey, Jesse Beaudin, Cameron Bond, Rachel Bondi, Rachel Burt, Liam Campbell, Julianna Casson, Laura Hovingh, Michael Laidley, Bryn Millsap, Bailey Nerbus, Mathew Newlands, Victoria Niven, Owen Sheppard, Matthew Smith, Stephanie Steele, Nicholas Steer, Alexa Tipper, Jamey Van Horn, Alicia Van Volkingburgh and Cassandra Wilson.

photos by Robin Burridge



Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasing MP Carol Hughes congratulates the 2013 graduates.



Chris Theijsmeijer leads members of the Manitoulin Secondary School band in the processional.



The 2013 Manitoulin Secondary School graduate processional is led by Faith Beaudin, Eric Harper, Zachary McCulligh, Jessey Newburn and Courtney Oswald.



The MSS vocal group, led by Heather Theijsmeijer, lead the graduates, teachers and guests in the singing of O Canada.

ASSIGINACK MUNICIPALITY BURSARY \$300.00

To an Assiginack student continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Reeve Brad Ham to Brittany Allen.

AUNDECK OMNI KANING FIRST NATION BURSARY (2) \$200.00

To assist and encourage graduates from the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation. Presented by Mrs. Karen McGraw to Justin Francis and Serenity Sandford.

BANK OF MONTREAL \$300.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education in a business related field. Presented by Mr. Frank Gurney to Cameron Bond.

BIG LAKE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION BURSARY \$200.00

Presented to a Central Manitoulin graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Sue Van Horn to Mark Doane.

BIG LAKE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE BURSARY \$100.00

To assist a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Sue Van Horn to Mark Doane.

BILLINGS MUNICIPALITY BURSARY \$250.00

To assist a deserving Billings student continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mayor Austin Hunt to Rachael Bilbija.

CARL BROWN AND SONS BUS LINES \$200.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Gary Brown to Brandon Pierce.

JOHN BUDD MEMORIAL BURSARY \$200.00

To assist a graduate continuing post-secondary education in the science field. Presented by Mr. John Collins to Jesse Beaudin.



The Seeds of Joy Bursary is awarded to a female graduate continuing their education in a health related field. Karen McGraw presented the award to Victoria Niven.



RDSB trustee Larry Killens addresses the MSS graduates and congratulates them on their accomplishments.



The Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation Bursary is presented to students to assist and encourage graduates from the Aundeck Omni Kaning First Nation. Karen McGraw presents the award to Serenity Sandford.



The 2013 MSS graduates stand for the singing of O Canada.

BURPEE & MILLS MUNICIPALITY BURSARY \$250.00

To deserving Burpee and Mills students continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Reeve Ken Noland to Bryn Millsap.

CAMPBELL HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY BURSARY \$100.00

Presented to a graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Sally Blackburn-Sloss to Zachary Bowerman.

CENTRAL MANITOULIN, WARD 1,

2 & 3 MUNICIPAL BURSARY (3) \$200.00

To assist a Central Manitoulin, Ward 1, 2 and 3 student continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mayor Gerry Strong to Victoria Niven, Ward 1, Kelsie Keller, Ward 2, and Mark Doane, Ward 3.

CHANNELVIEW DROP-IN CENTRE BURSARY \$200.00

Presented to a graduate continuing post-secondary education in geriatrics or a health related field. Presented by Mr. Frank Gurney to Angela Still.

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COMPASS GROUP CANADA - CHARTWELLS FOOD BURSARY (2) \$250.00

To assist two graduates who are continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Cheryl Harper to Rachael Bilbija and Brenden Pheasant.

THE GRAMPA GEORGE CORBIERE MEMORIAL BURSARY \$150.00

Donated by Liz, Missy, Colleen, Corey and Grandsons, to a deserving student who merited a little extra encouragement over his high school education. Presented by Grandson Kal Debassige to Jesse Beaudin.

O. G. DAVIES MEMORIAL BURSARY \$300.00

Awarded in memory of former M.S.S. principal Gwynn Davies by his family, to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Dr. Bryn Casson to Julie Casson.

O. G. DAVIES MEMORIAL CO-OPERATIVE EDUCATION BURSARY \$150.00

Awarded to an outstanding Co-operative Education student who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Dr. Bryn Casson to Zachary Bowerman.

DOMTAR INC. BURSARY \$500.00

Awarded to a graduate entering their first year of post-secondary education at a community college. Presented by Mr. Joe Cooper to Mathew Newlands.

DOMTAR INC. SCHOLARSHIP \$500.00

Awarded to a graduate entering their first year of post-secondary education at a university and for academic achievement. Presented by Mr. Joe Cooper to Rachel Bondi.

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT AWARD (2) Gifts

Presented by Mr. Tom Scott to Alexa Tipper an outstanding student in 4U English and Ronnie Wakegijig an outstanding student in 4C English.

ENSE-HARE MEMORIAL BURSARY \$500.00

Donated by the Ense-Hare family to a deserving graduate. Presented by Ms. Corrina Corbiere to Pheonix McGregor.

ESPANOLA & DISTRICT CREDIT UNION \$250.00

Presented to a graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Elizabeth McQuarrie to Nic Barss.

FAMILY STUDIES BURSARY \$100.00

For a graduate in Family Studies who is continuing education in a related field. Presented by Mrs. Leslie Marshall to Christina Pitawanakwat.

THOMAS FARQUHAR & SONS LTD (2) \$200.00

For two students continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Peter Tallman to Stephanie Steele and Chelsea Strain.

BETTY & BILL FERGUSON MEMORIAL BURSARY (2) \$250.00

Presented in memory of Betty & Bill Ferguson to two deserving graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Miss Jill Ferguson to Brittany Allen and Dustin Varey.

PEARL LAURA FINCH MEMORIAL BURSARY \$200.00

Donated by her family to a graduate in the N.E.M.I. area continuing post-secondary education in geriatrics or a health related field. Presented by Mrs. Heather Theijsmeijer to Nadine Belanger.

JOEY FOX MEMORIAL BURSARY \$300.00

Donated by Joey's family in memory of Joey, to a deserving first nation student continuing post secondary education. Presented by Trustee Grace Fox to Amber Debassige.

ASHLEY FRANK-ROY MEMORIAL BURSARY \$250.00

Donated by Ashley's family to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary



The Art Department Award is awarded to two deserving graduates continuing post-secondary education. Ina Wesno presents the award to Elizabeth Oswald.



The Carl Brown and Sons Bus Line Award is presented to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Gary Brown presents the award to Brandon Pierce.



The Grampa George Corbiere Memorial Bursary is donated by Liz, Missy, Colleen, Corey and grandsons to a deserving student who merited a little extra encouragement over his high school education. The award was presented by grandson Kal Debassige to Jesse Beaudin.

education. Presented by Ashley(s sister Miss Hanna Boyer to Bailey Nerbus.

FRIENDS OF MISERY BAY, STEVE & RITA HALL AWARD \$150.00

To a deserving student who is pursuing post-secondary education in the field of environmental sciences. Presented by Mrs. Heather Theijsmeijer to Zachary Bowerman.

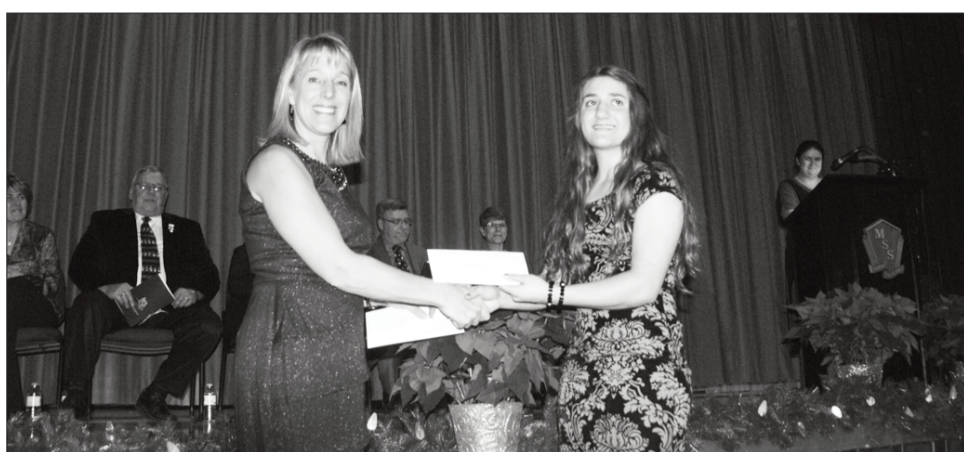
WENDY & MARCEL GAUTHIER BURSARY (2) \$250.00

Donated by Wendy & Marcel Gauthier to two deserving graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Marcel Gauthier to Evan McGauley and presented by Mrs. Wendy Gauthier to Jamey Van Horn.

EARLE GILMORE MEMORIAL BURSARY \$250.00

Donated by the family in memory of Earle Gilmore to a graduate continuing post-secondary education in the carpentry trade or a technical related field. Presented by Mrs. Carol Gilmore to Justin Lanktree.

GORDON AND BARRIE ISLAND MUNICIPALITY BURSARY (2) \$150.00



The All Saint's Anglican Church Good Samaritan Bursary is awarded to one boy and one girl in the graduating class who demonstrate the Christian principles of caring and compassion. Leslie Marshall presents the award to Rachel Bondi. The male recipient is Alex Gainforth.



The Billings Municipality Bursary is given to assist a deserving Billings student continuing post-secondary education. Mayor Austin Hunt presents the award to Rachael Bilbija.



The Bank of Montreal Award is given to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education in a business related field. Frank Gurney gives the award to Cameron Bond.



The Douglas Allen Bursary is presented to two students continuing post-secondary education and for excellence in English. Willa Wilson presents the award to Liam Campbell.



The Manitoulin Expositor Bursary is awarded to a deserving student in each grade who has made an outstanding transition from their previous grade(s). Robin Burrige presents the Grade 11 award to Brett Deeg.

To two Gordon or Barrie Island students continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Heather Theijsmeijer to Matthew Blodgett and Chelsea Strain.

GORDON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE, REVEREND WM. MUNRO MEMORIAL BURSARY \$150.00

Donated by the Manitoulin West District Women's Institute to a Western Manitoulin graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Bonnie Hore to Chelsea Strain.

GORE BAY BURSARY \$200.00

To a Western Manitoulin student continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mayor Ron Lane to Stephanie Steele.

GORE BAY CHILD CARE BURSARY \$500.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing their education in a child care related field. Presented by Ms. Jill Patterson to Bailey Nerbus.

GORE BAY MANITOULIN LODGE AUXILIARY INC. BURSARY \$300.00

Awarded to a high school graduate who plans on pursuing studies in a health related field. Presented by Mr. Slim Field to



The Friends of Misery Ball Steve and Rita Hall Award is given to a deserving student who is pursuing post-secondary education in the field of environmental sciences. Heather Theijsmeijer presents the award to Zachary Bowerman.



The Principals Award for Excellence in Leadership is donated by Principal Laurie Zahnow to the student who has exhibited outstanding leadership throughout their secondary school career. Ms. Zahnow presents the award to Jamey Van Horn.



The Manitoulin Centennial Manor Auxiliary Bursary is presented to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education in a health related field. Maya Holson awarded Nadine Belanger with the bursary.

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Sierra Paquette.

THE GOVERNOR GENERAL ACADEMIC AWARD Medal

This Bronze Medal is awarded for academic excellence to the student who achieves the highest average in their graduating year from a secondary school. Presented by Director Norm Blaseg to Alexa Tipper.

HAR-COR DIESEL AWARD \$150.00

Donated by Dave Harper to a graduate continuing post-secondary education in a technical related field. Presented by Mrs. Cheryl Harper to Daniel Meneray.

ICE LAKE COMMUNITY BURSARY \$200.00

Awarded to an Ice Lake area graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Willa Wilson to Mathew Newlands.

ISLAND FOODLAND BURSARY \$100.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Steven Bondi to Jordan Trudeau.

MARGUERITE JOYCE MEMORIAL BURSARY \$250.00

Donated by the citizens of Dawson-Robinson Township to a graduate from Dawson-Robinson continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Lyle Addison to Breanne Addison.

LAKEVIEW SCHOOL BURSARY IN MEMORY OF ALICIA McCauley \$150.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Principal Neil Debassige to Jesse Beaudin.

JOANNE LANKTREE MEMORIAL BURSARY \$300.00

Donated by the family in memory of Joanne Lanktree to a graduate who has demonstrated the spirit of volunteerism in the community and within the school setting. Presented by Ms. Sue Van Horn to Jamey Van Horn.

LIONS CLUB OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN BURSARY (3) \$500.00

To three Central Manitoulin graduates who are continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Dr. Dale Scott to Kelsie Keller, Victoria Niven and Owen Sheppard.

LIONS CLUB OF LITTLE CURRENT BURSARY (2) \$500.00

To two deserving students from the Northeastern Manitoulin area continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Ruth Ann Bastert to Nic Barss and Evan Cormier.

LIONS CLUB OF SOUTHEAST MANITOULIN BURSARY (2) \$250.00

To two Southeastern Manitoulin graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Harold Clarke to Natasha Clarke and Garrett Mellan.

LIONS CLUB OF WESTERN MANITOULIN BURSARY \$300.00

To assist a Western Manitoulin graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Ms. Sue Van Horn to Stephanie Steele.

LITTLE CURRENT FISH & GAME CLUB BURSARY \$300.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Doug Hore to Garrett Mellan.

LITTLE CURRENT GUARDIAN PHARMACY BURSARY \$100.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Steven Bondi to Nic Barss.

LITTLE CURRENT MEDICAL ASSOCIATES BURSARY \$500.00

Donated by the doctors of the Little Current Medical Centre to a deserving student pursuing studies in the arts or humanities. Presented by Dr. Ken Barss to Julie Casson.



The Manitoulin Secondary School Student Council Scholarship is presented to two graduates who have made an excellent contribution to the school, in terms of school activities, school spirit and good citizenship and who is continuing post-secondary education. Co-President Dione Gordon presents the award to Elizabeth Oswald.



The Tehkummah Township Bursary was presented to a deserving graduate from Tehkummah Township who is continuing post-secondary education. Reeve Gary Brown presents the award to Camellia Brown.

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To assist a graduate who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Rev. Jim McKean to Chelsea Strain.

M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION BOARD OF EDUCATION BURSARY (2) \$200.00

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M'CHIGEENG FIRST NATION CHIEF & COUNCIL BURSARY \$400.00

To a M'Chigeeng First Nation graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Robert Beaudin to Jesse Beaudin.

MANITOULIN CATTLEMAN & SOIL CROP ASSOCIATIONS BURSARY \$200.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Peter Tallman to Bryn Millsap.

MANITOULIN CENTENNIAL MANOR AUXILIARY BURSARY \$250.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education in a health related field. Presented by Ms. Maya Holson to Nadine Belanger.

MANITOULIN CHIROPRACTIC CLINIC HEALTH SCIENCES BURSARY \$175.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education in a University Health Sciences course. Presented by Dr. Harald Simon to Alicia Van Volkingburgh.

MANITOULIN COMMUNITY FITNESS CENTRE BURSARY \$500.00

Donated by the members of the Manitoulin Community Fitness Centre to a deserving graduate continuing their education in the Recreation and Leisure field. Presented by Mrs. Tina Balfe to Pierce Manitowabi.

THE MANITOULIN EXPOSITOR BURSARIES (4) \$125.00

Awarded to a deserving student in each grade who has made an outstanding transition from their previous grade(s). Presented by Ms. Robin Burridge to Cheyenne Barnes, Gr. 9; Rachel Hoffman, Gr. 10; Brett Deeg, Gr. 11; and Cody Crawford, Gr. 12.

MANITOULIN FAMILY RESOURCES AWARD \$300.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing their studies in a helping profession. Presented by Mrs. Erin Rose to Ainsley Dixon.



Rainbow District School Board Director of Education Norm Blaseg presents the Governor General Academic Award to Alexa Tipper. The bronze medal is awarded for academic excellence to the student who achieves the highest average in their graduating year from a secondary school.

MANITOULIN FINE ARTS ASSOCIATION BURSARY \$150.00

Awarded to a graduate continuing their education in fine arts and design. Presented by Mrs. Ina Wesno to Elizabeth Oswald.

MANITOULIN HEALTH CENTRE AUXILIARY BURSARY \$250.00

Presented to a deserving student continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Doug Hore to Alex Gainforth.

MANITOULIN MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION BURSARY \$200.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education and who has been involved with the Manitoulin Minor Hockey Association. Presented by Mr. Larry Karn to Shaun Riching.

MANITOULIN SECONDARY SCHOOL STAFF BURSARY (4) \$100.00

Donated by members of the M.S.S. staff to four graduates who merit our encouragement in post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Ina Wesno to Camellia Brown, Ainsley Dixon, Mark Doane and Bryn Millsap.

MANITOULIN SECONDARY SCHOOL STUDENTS' COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP (2) \$150.00

Presented to two graduates who have made an excellent contribution to the school, in terms of school activities, school spirit and good citizenship and who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Co-President Dione Gordon to Elizabeth Oswald and by Co-President Andrew Vokes to Jamey Van Horn.

MANITOULIN SECONDARY SCHOOL THREE FIRES CONFEDERACY SCHOLARSHIP (2) \$250.00

Presented to two First Nation graduates who have made an excellent contribution to the school, in terms of school activities, school spirit and good citizenship and who are continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Miss Hope Debassige to Jesse Beaudin and by Miss Trisha McCauley to Kari Dayfox.

MANITOULIN SNOWDUSTERS B.J. CORBIERE MEMORIAL AWARD (2) \$250.00

Given to two graduates of M.S.S. who have demonstrated care and concern for the environment and who have shown commitment to volunteer organizations on Manitoulin Island. Presented by Mr. Brad Middleton to Owen Sheppard and Dustin Varey.

MANITOULIN TRANSPORT AWARDS

Presented by Mrs. Cathy Argue to the top students in their respective grades.

Grade 9: Rebecca Dawson
Grade 10: Xin Ting Hu
Grade 11: Stephanie Carlisle
Grade 12: Alexa Tipper

MANITOULIN TRANSPORT INC. BURSARY AWARD \$1000.00

To a deserving student who has successfully completed the first term of a post secondary program in Business or Computer Studies. Presented by Mrs. Cathy Argue to Matthew Blodgett.

MANITOULIN TRANSPORT INC. SCHOLARSHIP AWARD \$1500.00

Presented to a graduate of M.S.S. who is

a son/daughter of an employee of Manitoulin Transport and who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Kevin Smith to Matthew Smith.

MANITOULIN-WEST SUDBURY DAIRY PRODUCER SCHOLARSHIP \$150.00

Awarded to a graduate of M.S.S. continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Peter Tallman to Elizabeth Oswald.

MANITOWANING FIGURE SKATING CLUB BURSARY \$200.00

Awarded to a deserving graduate who is a former skater from the Manitowaning Skating Club. Presented by Mr. Steven Bondi to Laura Hovingh.

MANITOWANING GUARDIAN PHARMACY BURSARY \$100.00

To assist a student pursuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Steven Bondi to Brittany Allen.

MANITOWANING MILL HOME HARDWARE BUILDING CENTRE BURSARY (2) \$250.00

To two graduates continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Larry Karn to Natasha Clarke and Wes Trimmer.

JOAN MANTLE MUSIC TRUST BURSARY \$200.00

In memory of Joan Mantle, honouring a graduating student who excels in music, academics and community. Presented by Superintendent Bruce Bourget to Cassie Wilson.

MASONIC LODGE EDUCATION BURSARY \$500.00

Presented by Doric Lodge #455, Eastern Manitoulin, to a deserving graduate who is continuing post-secondary education and who has demonstrated courtesy, fairness, honesty and consideration for others. Presented by Ms. Maya Holson to Elizabeth Oswald.

JOHN & JENNIE McCULLOCH MEMORIAL BURSARY \$200.00

To a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Tina Balfe to Camellia Brown.

ZELLA McCUTCHEON MEMORIAL BURSARY \$700.00

Donated by Marilyn & Ross MacFadden in memory of Marilyn's mother Zella McCutcheon, to a graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Judy Olacke to Laura Hovingh.

DWIGHT MCGAULEY MEMORIAL BURSARY \$100.00

In fond memory of Dwight McGauley, to a graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Tom Scott to Zachary Bowerman.

DR. R.B. MCQUAY & DR. J.B. MCQUAY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP \$300.00

Donated by Ms. Elizabeth McQuay and Ms. Janice McQuay to the Ontario Scholar who obtained the highest average, in their graduating year and who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Judy Olacke to Alexa Tipper.

MEEKER'S MANAGEMENT SERVICES BURSARY (2) \$150.00

Donated by Mike & Sharon Meeker to a male and female continuing post-secondary

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Wasse-Abin High School students honoured at 15th annual gala

by Michael Erskine
WIKWEMIKONG—Students, teachers and their families joined members of the Wikwemikong Board of Education and numerous local sponsors in gathering last month to celebrate the accomplishments of Wasse Abin (Wikwemikong) High School (WAHS) students with a dinner and the presentation of awards.

The celebrations opened with a welcome by master of ceremonies, WAHS principal Mick Staruck, as hand drummer Zack Williams performed a welcoming song.

Chief Duke Peltier delivered opening remarks of congratulations to the students and their families, remarking on the singular accomplishments made possible through the encouragement and support of their families, community and the Wikwemikong Board of Education.

Cheryl Peltier delivered the opening prayer before the attendees sat down to a dinner catered locally by Patsy's Catering.

Following dinner, there was a presentation of the awards.

Canada and the World Awards, presented to students with the highest achievement in history or law courses sponsored by John and Jennifer Capin, were awarded to Kaylne Beaudry and Shaelyn Recollet in the intermediate division and to Skylar Manitowabi in the senior division.

Business Awards, sponsored by Enaadmaagehjik (Wikwemikong Development Commission), were presented to students with the highest achievement in a business studies course, Skylar Manitowabi, Lexie Kaboni and Alexandria Shawongonabe.

The Hospitality Award, sponsored by Enaadmaagehjik (Wikwemikong Development Commission) and presented to a student with the highest achievement in the hospitality and tourism course, was awarded to Brigitte Neganigwane.

The Trades Award, sponsored by Enaadmaagehjik (Wikwemikong Development Commission) and presented to a student with the highest achievement in a

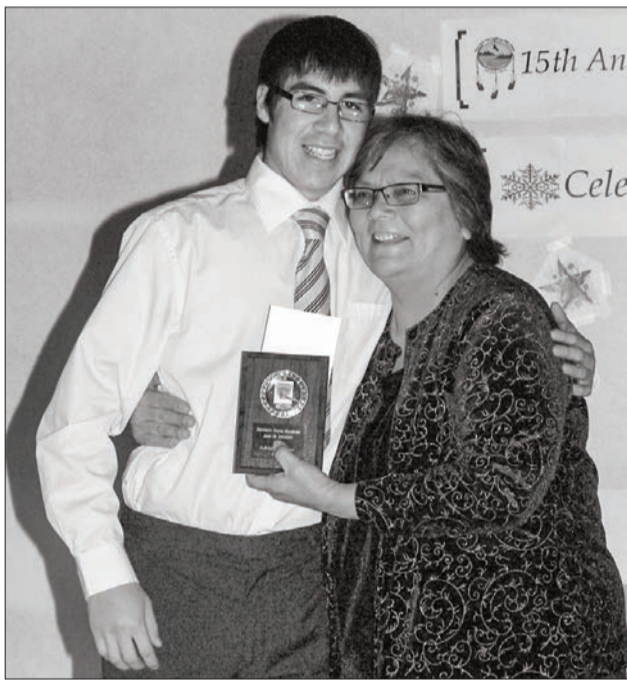


The Mara University Science Award was presented to Christine Revard-Trudeau by science teacher Chris Mara.

photos by Austin Pangowish



The Wikwemikong Chief and Council Award for Academic Excellence was presented to Brigitte Neganigwane by Chief Duke Peltier.



The Wikwemikong Heritage Organization Art Award was awarded to student Adrian Trudeau by Sandra Peltier during the annual gala.

trades-related course, was awarded to Stephen Aiabens.

The Media Award, sponsored by Enaadmaagehjik (Wikwemikong Development Commission), was presented to a student with the highest achievement in a media-related course, Macy Manitowabi.

The Wikwemikong Heritage Organization Art Award, sponsored by the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization and presented to a student who demonstrates excellent skill and

technique in all art forms, went to Brigitte Neganigwane, Alexandria Shawongonabe and Adrian Trudeau in the junior division and Macy Manitowabi in the senior division.

The Anishnaabemowin (Anishnaabe language) award was sponsored by the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization and presented to a student who demonstrated achievement and fluency in a Native language course. This award was presented to Eugenia Eshkawkogan in the inter-

mediate division.

The First Nations Studies Award, sponsored by the Wikwemikong Heritage Organization and presented to a student with the highest achievement in a First Nations Studies course, was awarded to Starlee Kanasawe.

The Josephine Lister Memorial Award, sponsored by Tammy and Ray Moreau, presented to a student with the highest achievement in an aboriginal content-related course, was awarded to Tinaisha Kagige.

The Grade 9 Native Language Award, sponsored by Peggy and Bernie Brant and presented to a student with the highest achievement in a Grade 9 Native language course, was awarded to Eugenia Eshkawkogan.

First Nations Engineering Science Awards, sponsored by Wasse-Abin High School, were presented to students with the highest achievement in a science course. This year's recipients were: Grade 9, Reynold Assiniwe; Grade 10, Starlee Kanasawe; and senior Christine Revard-Trudeau.

The Mara University Science award, sponsored by Chris Mara and Margit Alberti and presented to a

student with the highest achievement in a university level science course, was presented to Christine Revard-Trudeau.

The Lafarge University Math Award, sponsored by Lafarge and presented to a student with the highest overall achievement in university level math courses, was awarded to Skylar Manitowabi.

The Lafarge University Science Award, sponsored by Lafarge and presented to a student with the highest overall achievement in university level science courses, was also awarded to Skylar Manitowabi. ...continued on page 16



JUSTIN SIMON

Harald & Laurie Simon congratulate Justin Simon, MSc, Occupational Therapy on his convocation at University of Toronto November 13, 2013 Justin is currently working with Bayshore Therapy & Rehab Serving Sudbury - Manitoulin



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Well Done.

...Manitoulin Health Centre Board Minutes

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Health Infrastructure Renewable Fund (HIRF) projects.”

Chief of Staff report

MHC Chief of Staff Dr. Stephen Cooper had two reports to review with the board. In the first report, Dr. Cooper explained that Health Regulatory Colleges of Ontario (FHRCO) has a new place on their website that helps health care organizations structure the work sharing of the different professionals in their organization.

“There was also a presentation from the College of Pharmacists and Nurse Practitioners on recent changes in regulations for their colleges and how they will affect their work in hospitals,” added Dr. Cooper. “There seems to be a desire to move away from medical directives, which are unwieldy in large institutions, to regulated changes for professionals to better recognize the level of care they are able to provide.”

On another note, Dr. Cooper explained “the small number of data points collected for measurements in small hospitals creates large confidence intervals.”

“Large confidence levels means that interpreting and comparing the data is inaccurate,” he further explained. “General consensus is that smaller hospitals should measure processes not results. Despite the issues with inaccuracy, small hospitals should measure results and make them public.”

In his second report, Dr. Cooper gave a brief description of his November.

“I had the opportunity to attend Health Achieve 2013,” Dr. Cooper said. “Innovation and quality care continue to be the key issues. Also I met with Dr. Bonin for the Transfusion Committee. Dr. Snider has been invited to start doing endoscopy at MHC in the spring of 2014. Dr. Bhagavatula has replaced Dr. Shivakumar as the visiting psychiatrist for Northeast Mental Health Clinic.”

“I am hopeful that invitations for the NE LHIN Physician Leadership Conference will go out later this week,” continued Dr. Cooper. “OHA and OMA have created a multi-stakeholder ad hoc committee to further explore rural health hubs to which I have been invited.”

Auxiliary notes

Ted Musgrove of the Little Current MHC Auxiliary presented the board with the minutes from the auxiliary's November meeting.

Highlights from the minutes include a \$250 donation to the Manitoulin Student Aid Fund and that the auxiliary is at a membership of 45 individuals.

The Mindemoya auxiliary added that they were donating \$500 towards the Manitoulin Student Aid Fund and that they had received a \$5,000 donation from the Mindemoya BMO.



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Hand drum social rings in the New Year in M'Chigeeng

by Michael Erskine

M'CHIGEENG—The New Year deep freeze didn't dampen any spirits at the M'Chigeeng First Nation New Year's Day hand drum social held in the afternoon at the community recreation centre.

Guided by the dulcet voice of emcee (and drummer) Falcon Migwans and led by regalia-clad dancers including M'Chigeeng artist David Migwans, families joined in a variety of dances to bring in the New Year.

The event gathered visitors from communities across Manitoulin and beyond, a fact referenced by M'Chigeeng Chief Joe Hare as he spoke a few words of greeting and accepted an unscheduled accolade from Mr. Migwans.

Mr. Migwans explained the sig-



Dancers young and old took part in the New Year's Day hand drum social at the M'Chigeeng community centre.

photo by Michael Erskine

nificance of the bear clan as leaders in the community and how he came to the decision to carve the symbol and present a carving to Chief Hare as an expression of his gratitude for the elder Anishinaabe statesman's many decades and contributions to public serv-

ice and his community.

"This is quite a surprise," said Chief Hare as he hefted the large stone carving. "I certainly didn't expect anything like this." Chief Hare noted that he often accepts gifts in his role as chief on behalf of the community and that many

of those gifts can be viewed on a large display table at the council chambers.

"I am so delighted to see a young man embrace the culture," Chief Hare said of Mr. Migwan's role at the hand drum social. He described the head dancer as "an artist who takes care of himself and who takes care of others in the community. If there were more like him many of the problems facing many of our communities would go away."

"I will take this gift and display it at the council table for all to see," said Chief Hare. "Sometimes people don't understand how things work and how long it can take to make things happen. Maybe this will inspire them to calm down and let them see why things are the way they are."

Terry Debassige, one of the

organizers of this year's event, delivered words of congratulation to the community. "It is good to see so many strong healthy people here," he said. "We are sharing our spirit with each other, celebrating what creation has given us. Before we were all one people, we helped each other," he said. Noting that the divisions of reserve communities did not exist in pre-contact times, the entire Anishinaabek was united before the balkanization brought about through colonialism. "That which was forced upon us has driven us apart," he said, but noted that the gathering in M'Chigeeng was a testament to the fundamental unity of the nation.

The dancing was followed by a community feast in the early evening.

...Vandals suspected in McLean's Mountain wind farm project spill

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remove the spilled materials from the drill pit. White Construction will have KRT from Sudbury on site to perform the pit clean out."

"To prevent such an incident from occurring in the future, Northland and White Construction, in cooperation with the boring contractor Earth Boring Co. Ltd., have developed additional security protocols," concluded Ms. Charuk. "All parties are committed to a full and complete cleanup and to ensuring that such an incident does not occur again."

Despite Northland's claim that "as soon as the contractor was notified of the spill" they arranged for the cleanup, others have claimed this was not the case such as Perch Lake resident John Burnett, as well as Ray Beaudry, spokesperson for the Manitoulin Coalition for Safe Energy Alternatives (MCSEA).

"I have property up by Perch Lake where they are boring," Mr. Burnett explained to The Expositor. "The boring work should have been done by now, but instead they are trying to bore through the winter and their equipment is freezing up. I saw the spill and told them, but they didn't do anything."

"Mr. Burnett saw the spill on (Monday) December 16 and told the crew that was working," Mr. Beaudry said. "He told us and we went out to the site (on Saturday, December 21) and took pictures and it was plain to see that no efforts had been made to clean up the spill."

Both Mr. Beaudry and Mr. Burnett told The Expositor that they suspect the fluid

was intentionally dumped to keep the boring hole from freezing.

Mr. Beaudry also claims that the totes of antifreeze he found at the boring site had labels of a maximum weight capacity of 1,640 kg, "which would carry approximately over 300 gallons in each full tote" and that there were "several full totes and several were empty."

"Just how much spilled?" Mr. Beaudry asked. "How did no one on site notice?"

In a letter posted on the Ontario Wind Resistance website Mr. Beaudry also claimed that he thought additional "spills/dumping" had occurred at other sites associated with the project and that the most recent spill occurred in a "known wetland/key habitat area."

In response to these claims Ms. Charuk told The Expositor that the spill the contractor became aware of on December 20 did not occur in a key wetland habitat area.

"Since the start of construction there have been some minor hydraulic fluid spills due to o-ring failures (to provide additional context, these spills were minor in nature, ie. they were contained and cleaned up in 10-gallon plastic bucket sized containers)," added Ms. Charuk. Any and all spills were reported to the MOE and the spill action centre and all were effectively contained and cleaned up. All spill material was disposed of at the approved disposal sites."

Mr. Beaudry had several other statements involving the project and envi-

ronmental issues, but a representative from the MOE was not available to confirm these claims or to provide The Expositor with the

status of the December 20 spill cleanup as of press time on Monday.

"I can't imagine anyone from Manitoulin doing

this," said Mr. Beaudry of Northland Power's claim the spill was due to vandals. "Why would someone do that? And why isn't there an

OPP investigation?" See next week's paper for an update on this story as it progresses.



This boring hole at the McLean's Mountain wind farm project site captured on December 21 is seen surrounded by a blue/green liquid, possibly antifreeze.

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...Wasse-Abin High School students honoured at 15th annual gala

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The Mathematics Scholar Awards, sponsored by the Wikwemikong Health Centre, were presented to students with the highest achievement in each grade level for mathematics. The 2012-2013 recipients were: Grade 9, Reynold Assiniwe; Grade 10 Alexandra Wemigwans; Grade 11, Christine Revard-Trudeau; and Grade 12, Skylar Manitowabi.

The Wikwemikong Board of Education English Scholar Awards, sponsored by the Wikwemikong Board of Education and presented to students with the highest achievement in English courses, were awarded to: Jade Jacko-Osawabine, junior level; DJ Desmoulin, intermediate level; and Stephen Aiabens, senior level.

The Physical Education awards, sponsored by Wasse-Abin High School Athletics and presented to a student with the highest achievement in healthy, active living courses for each level, were awarded to: Adrian Trudeau for the Grade 9 boys' division; Austin Pangowish and Timothy Pitawanakwat for the Grade 10 co-ed division; and Christine Revard-Trudeau for the senior division.

The Manitoulin Family Resources Award, presented to a Wasse-Abin High School graduate who is pursuing a career in a helping field, was awarded to Rebecca Shawana.



The Award Recipients for 2012-13 are, from left, Tyler Pangowish, Starlee Kanasawe, Rebecca Shawana, Alexandra Wemigwans, Eugenia Eshkawkogan, Shaelyn Recollet, Kaylne Beaudry, Austin Pangowish, Brigitte Neganigwane, Reynold Assiniwe, Tia Wemigwans, Christine Revard-Trudeau, Stephen Aiabens, Alexandria Shawongonabe, Moirah Shawana. Missing from photo is Skylar Manitowabi, Lexie Kaboni, Macy Manitowabi, Tinaisha Kagige, Jade Jacko-Osawabine, DJ Desmoulin, Timothy Pitawanakwat, Allen Recollet, Raoul Mandamin, Tessa Ominika and Katelynn Abel.

The Wikwemikong Tribal Police award, sponsored by the Wikwemikong Tribal Police and presented to a

Wasse-Abin High School graduate who is enrolled in a post-secondary program related to law, was awarded

to Allen Recollet.

The Co-operative Education Award, sponsored by the Andrew Manitowabi

Group and presented to a student with the highest achievement in the Co-operative Education Program, was presented to Rebecca Shawana.

The Life Skills Class Participation Award, sponsored by Wasse-Abin High School and presented to a student in the life skills class with the best participation throughout the year, was awarded to Tia Wemigwans.

The Parents' Council Attendance Awards, sponsored by the Wasse-Abin High School Parents' Council and presented to a student in each grade with the best attendance throughout the year, were presented to: Grade 9 student Raoul Mandamin; Grade 10 student Brigitte Neganigwane; Grade 11 student Tyler Pangowish; and Grade 12 student Moirah Shawana.

The Wikwemikong Chief and Council Academic Excellence Awards, sponsored by the Wikwemikong chief and council and presented to students with the

highest overall grade average in each grade, went to Grade 8 student Tessa Ominika; Grade 9 student Eugenia Eshkawkogan; Grade 10 student Brigitte Neganigwane; Grade 11 student Christine Revard-Trudeau and Grade 12 student Katelynn Abel.

Special thanks were offered to each of the award sponsors and to the gala contributors, including

Patsy and Crew Catering; Zack Williams; Austin Pangowish, photographer; Mercedes Jackson; Candi Cheechoo; Erika Manitowabi; Melissa Robinson; Valerie O'Leary; Jillian Peltier; the postsecondary school staff, the student and staff decorating volunteers and the Wasse-Abin High School maintenance staff for their efforts.

The ceremony and evening concluded with an honour song by Mr. Williams and closing remarks by Wikwemikong Director of Education Dominic Beaudry.



Getting the blues for a good cause

Popular local band Sons of the Blues lit up the night at the Anchor Inn Hotel in a fundraiser for Manitoulin Family Resources on December 23. Raising money for the annual food drive were Damien Thibideau, Darren Madahbee, Matt Bond, Dylan Abotossoway and Peter Nelson.

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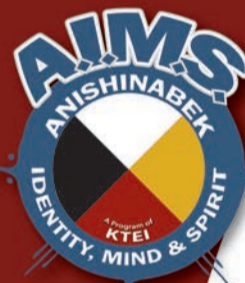


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TEHKUMMAH FIRST RESPONSE BURSARY \$100.00

Donated by the Tehkummah First Response Team to a graduate pursuing their education in a medical related field. Presented by Mr. Gary Brown to Nadine Belanger.

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Presented to a deserving graduate from Tehkummah Township who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Reeve Gary Brown to Camellia Brown.

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Presented to a deserving graduate from the South Baymouth or Tehkummah area who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Jean McCulligh to Evan McGauley.

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Presented to two deserving graduates continuing their education in a Business related field or in a technical trade field. Presented by Mr. Cam Thibault to Yonas Gebrekristose and Mathew Newlands.

DR. K.J. TIPPER BURSARY \$100.00

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To assist a graduate continuing post-secondary education in a business related field. Presented by Mr. Irving Noble to Steven Green.

TWILIGHT CLUB OF PROVIDENCE BAY BURSARY \$200.00

Presented to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mrs. Judy Olacke to Victoria Niven.

U.C.C.M. ANISHNAABE POLICE BURSARY \$200.00

Presented to a First Nation graduate continuing their education in police foundations. Presented by Sgt. Brad Mack to Michael Cranston.

UNITED CHIEFS AND COUNCILS OF MNIDOO MNISING BURSARY (2) \$200.00

To assist two deserving First Nation students continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Chief Joe Hare to Christiana Pitawanakwat and Serenity Sandford.



The Little Current Fish and Game Club Bursary, given to a deserving graduate continuing post-secondary education, was presented by Doug Hore to Garrett Mellan.



Jill Ferguson presents Brittany Allen with the Betty and Bill Ferguson Memorial Bursary.

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To a deserving graduate who is continuing post-secondary education. Presented by Mr. Tom Scott to Sierra Paquette.

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Donated by the organizers of the Manitoulin Island Short Story Contest to an outstanding student in English. Presented by Ms. Willa Wilson to Alexa Tipper.

MARJORIE YOUNG MEMORIAL BURSARY \$150.00

Donated by Mark & Bonnie Young in memory Marjorie Young to a deserving graduate continuing their post-secondary education in a medical related field. Presented by Mr. Mark & Mrs. Bonnie Young to Sierra Paquette.

WHO'S WHERE IN FUTURE EDUCATION:

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The Domtar Inc. Bursary is awarded to a graduate entering their first year of post-secondary education at a community college. Joe Cooper presents Mathew Newlands with the award.

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The Lions Club of Little Current Bursary was presented by Lion Ruth Ann Bastert to Evan Cormier.

Christiana Pitawanakwat, Cambrian College; Shaun Riching, Cambrian College; Serenity Sandford, Durham College; Owen Sheppard, McMaster University; Matthew Smith, Guelph University; Stephanie Steele, Wilfrid Laurier University; Angela Still, Fanshawe College; Chelsea Strain, Niagara College; Alexa Tipper, Brock University; Ricky Toner, Cambrian College; Wes Trimmer, Canadore College; Jordan Trudeau, Lambton College; Jamey Van Horn, Cambrian College; Brad Van Alphen, Cambrian College; Alicia Van Volkingburgh, Ottawa University; Dustin Varey, Cambrian College; and Cassie Wilson, Redeemer University.

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Northeast Town Council Notes

Green Bay Community Hall requests funds

Ken Ferguson, on behalf of the Green Bay Community Hall, addressed council, asking for a \$2,000 donation to help cover the hall's outstanding taxes.

"I am here on behalf of the trustees asking for your help," explained Mr. Ferguson, noting that the hall had been exempted from taxes up to 2010 and that the organization had just been made aware that from 2010 onwards the hall was no longer tax exempt, resulting in an outstanding tax bill close to \$4,000.

Mr. Ferguson also added that the trustees had not received a bill in the last four years until recently, resulting in the organization being made aware of the situation.

Despite some comments from council about poor organization by the trustees, a motion was carried to donate the requested funds.

In a recorded vote, Councillor Michael Erskine, Marcel Gauthier, Christina Jones, Dawn Orr, Melissa Peters, Bruce Woods and Mayor Al MacNevin voted in favour of the motion, while Councillor Bill Koehler voted against it.

Council keeps donation budget at \$13,500

After a great deal of discussion at the administration and finance committee meeting earlier this month over cutting back the donation budget from \$13,500 to \$10,000 for 2014, and a recommendation to council to reduce the budget, the motion was defeated at council. The budget line item in the 2014 draft municipal budget will remain at \$13,500.

Channel View Drop-In Centre given funds for new bingo machine

The Northeast Town council carried a motion at its last meeting, based on a recommendation from the administration and finance committee, to donate \$1,011.92 to the Chanel View Drop-In Centre for the purchase of a new bingo machine.

The recommendation was to have the donation taken out of the 2014 donations budget, however after discussing the donation further, council motioned to have the funds taken out of a retirement living reserve account. Mr. Williamson explained that the reserve account was originally established several years ago for a study that did not occur.

The motion carried by council stipulated that the \$1,011.92 was to be transferred out of the reserve account into the 2013 donation budget and then donated to the organization.

AOK granted another year of Northeast Town landfill use

Council reviewed a letter from Audeck Omni Kaning (AOK) First Nation Chief Patsy Corbiere requesting an

extension on the First Nation and the municipality's landfill agreement.

In the letter, Chief Corbiere explained that AOK has been working on establishing its own landfill, with negotiations nearing completion.

"It is our objective to have this project ready to be tendered next spring for construction in the summer of 2014," states Chief Corbiere. "We are still in discussions to confirm how we wish to haul waste off-reserve beyond this date."

"It is important to note that we have been work diligently with government to have this project complete in specific time frames as set out by our project team," added Chief Corbiere. "However, it is important to note that AOK will likely be requesting an extension to our current service contract for landfill services for the 2014/2015 fiscal year."

Responding to questions from council, town CAO Dave Williamson explained that an additional year of allowing AOK to use the Northeast Town landfill would only take three quarters of a month off the life of the landfill.

"I would support this request because they have been good neighbours, have made an effort to recycle and the impact of another year of use is minimal," said Councillor Marcel Gauthier.

Council carried a motion granting a one-year extension of the AOK/Northeast Town landfill contract for services.

Northeast Town gets funds for Harbour View roadwork

Council carried a motion granting the CAO and mayor to enter into an agreement with the Small, Rural and Northern Municipal Infrastructure Fund and accept \$21,250.88 in funding. The money will be used in 2014 for upgrades to Harbour View Road.

Winterfest Weekend designated a 'community festival'

After reviewing a letter from the Little Current Lions Club, the Northeast Town Council carried a motion designating the Winterfest Weekend of January 31 to February 2 as a 'community festival,' allowing the organization to apply for a special occasion permit from the Alcohol and Gaming Commission of Ontario.

"The weekend will indeed be a festival with much planned and other community groups getting on board too," the letter from the Lions notes.

Council supports World Autism Awareness Day

The Northeast Town council decided to support and participate in World Autism Awareness Day again on April 2, 2014. As part of the awareness day, the town will fly the

Autism Ontario flag.

Town receives reply from MMAH minister

The Northeast Town council received a response from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing (MMAH) regarding the town's request to be removed from the Manitoulin Planning Board and become its own planning authority.

"Planning boards play an important role in Ontario's land-use planning system by providing cost and service sharing opportunities, seamless policy protection and overall coordination of future growth and development across planning areas," wrote Minister Jeffrey in her letter to the town. "I believe that every effort should be made to ensure the success of their operation."

Minister Jeffrey concluded her letter by encouraging the town to work with the planning board to reach a "fair and effective resolution."

"The government is constantly looking at regionalizing," said Councillor Erskine in response to Minister Jeffrey's letter. "It is cheaper and easier to deliver services in bigger municipalities and moving forward, rural areas are going to have to push get what they need."

Council expressed that it would continue to work on becoming its own planning authority and meeting with the MMAH in pursuit of this goal.

Council to meet with Aboriginal Affairs in New Year

A letter was included in council's agenda package this month from Audeck Omni Kaning (AOK) First Nation regarding the recent meeting between AOK Chief Patsy Corbiere, the Northeast Town council and a representative from Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development (AAND).

"The meeting on November 7 provided valued information to both parties along with the Additions to Reserve (ATR) policy requirements imposed by AAND," wrote Chief Corbiere in the letter to council. "The First Nation purchased several properties adjacent to the reserve which fall under this lengthy ATR process. It is anticipated that as part of the consultation process with the municipality that ongoing dialogue continues between both leaderships in the near future."

Mr. Williamson explained that in the New Year council would be meeting further with AAND and AOK to discuss the ATR process in more depth and to provide input.

Municipality lagoon funding application denied

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Tuition: \$55
Days: Sat. and Sun. 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Starts: February 8 and 9 for 1 weekend
Location: Gore Bay

GETTING THE MOST OUT OF YOUR IPAD

In this introductory course, students will get valuable iPad tips with easy-to-follow instructions for making the most of the iPad, apps, and accessories. Students must bring their own iPad and have an activated iTunes account.

Tuition: \$45.20
Days: Wed. 10 a.m. to noon
Starts: February 5, for 2 weeks
Location: Little Current

PALLIATIVE CARE TRAINING FOR VOLUNTEERS, FAMILY MEMBERS AND OTHER CAREGIVERS

This course is designed for community caregivers seeking to enhance their end-of-life care skills and knowledge in the areas of: hospice and palliative care in Canada; the grieving process; the dying process and the final hours; the therapeutic relationship; professional boundaries and ethics; cultural, religious, and sexual orientation; comfort measures, specifically in the areas of skin integrity, nutrition, safe feeding practices, elimination, mouth care, dyspnea, and loss of strength; and strong and safe body mechanics. The importance of self-care for caregivers will also be addressed.

Tuition: \$96.05
Days: Tues. 7 to 9 p.m.
Starts: February 4 for 4 weeks
Location: Little Current

COMPUTERS FOR EVERYDAY LIFE

Students will get familiar with Microsoft Office software and Word 2010 and learn computer skills that can be used in everyday life, explore the possibilities of internet banking, email, online research, shopping, and chatting with friends across the country.

Tuition: \$124.30
Days: Wed. 10 a.m. to noon
Starts: February 26 for 6 weeks
Location: Little Current Campus

BOOKKEEPING BASICS

This course is designed for those who want to understand the basics of bookkeeping and how it can help in managing a small business effectively. This course takes a hands-on approach to learning, using simulated activities and exercises.

Tuition: \$124.30
Days: Wed. 6 to 8 p.m.
Starts: January 29 for 6 weeks
Location: Little Current Campus

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GLUTEN-FREE COOKING

Why eat gluten-free? What is the difference between Celiac disease and gluten intolerance? How do I replace gluten in everyday cooking? How do I bake gluten-free and still get good texture and flavour? These questions and more will be answered in this class. Students will also cook, bake, and eat some gluten-free foods. A supply fee of approximately \$10 - \$15 is payable to the instructor.

Tuition: \$50.85
Days: Wed. 6 to 8 p.m.
Starts: March 5 for 1 day
Location: Little Current United Church

DIABETIC AND HEART HEALTHY COOKING

In this class, students will learn about heart healthy cooking including healthy carbs and the Glycemic Index. Together, students will make a full meal that is both good for the heart and good for blood sugar levels. A supply fee of approximately \$10 - \$15 is payable to the instructor.

Tuition: \$50.85
Days: Wed. 6 to 8 p.m.
Starts: February 5 for 1 day
Location: Little Current United Church

VEGAN AND VEGETARIAN COOKING

Students will learn about plant-based protein combining and alternatives and substitutions for vegetarian and vegan recipes. Together, students will prepare a flavourful, nutrient-rich vegan meal. A supply fee of approximately \$10 - \$15 is payable to the instructor.

Tuition: \$50.85
Days: Wed. 6 to 8 p.m.
Starts: February 19 for 1 day
Location: Little Current United Church

HOMEMADE SPROUTS, YOGURT, AND "WHAT THE HECK IS THAT?"

Learn about some of the new "power foods" like chia seeds, hemp hearts, and flax and learn how to make things like yogurt and sprouts at home. Students will also sample some "whole food products" and will leave the class with their own sprouting jars, yogurt starter, and maybe a new favourite "power food." A supply fee of approximately \$10 - \$15 is payable to the instructor.

Tuition: \$50.85
Days: Wed. 6 to 8 p.m.
Starts: March 19 for 1 day
Location: Little Current United Church

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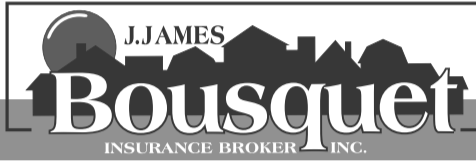
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Mr. Williamson spoke to council regarding correspondence from the Small, Rural and Northern Municipal Infrastructure Fund Capital Program and a recent application from the municipality for the lagoon expansion.

"We applied for \$2 million dollars for the lagoon expansion, but unfortunately the project proposal was not selected to move forward," explained Mr. Williamson.

Mayor MacNevin commented that the project was very much needed by the municipality and that he was hopeful they would secure the funding in the future.

Council approves taxi business licencing bylaw amendment

The Northeast Town council carried a motion passing bylaw 2001-13 as amended, "being a bylaw to regulate and licence the owners of taxicab businesses." The motion came from a recommendation from the administration and finance committee and discussions of eliminating the bylaw altogether.

Council honours OCWA employee

Ontario Clean Water Agency Water plant operator for the Northeast Town (both the Sheguiandah and Little Current plants) Geoff Tuerk received a certificate of appreciation from council at the community services and public works committee meeting last Thursday after saving the town over \$20,000 in electrical costs.

"Through Geoff's efforts he reduced hydro at the Little Current plant by 25 percent and 50 percent at the Sheguiandah plant," explained Mr. Williamson. "He took this initiative on his own and the result was big savings both financially and in terms of power use."

Fire department report

The community services and public works committee reviewed a report from Northeast Town Fire Chief Darren Bailey. In the report he wrote that there was a total of 49 calls for service to date and that there had been eight requests for fire inspections in 2013.

"Throughout 2013 we had four officers receive certification for Level 1 Company, four officers complete the fire inspection course, in addition to one firefighter and three officers and four firefighters receiving certification in pump operations."

Community services report

Reid Taylor delivered the December community services report to committee. He reported that the recreation centre ice was being used well by user groups and customer rentals, adding "218 hours have been booked for the month of December, four ice user groups are using the ice and four adult recreation hockey groups."

Mr. Taylor also reported that user groups are continuing to use the main hall on a weekly basis and that public skating is continuing to be popular.

"The Northern Ontario Junior Hockey League game on December 14 went very well and was well attended," continued Mr. Taylor. "The Christmas break schedule begins December 20. There will be a family New Year's evening event on December 31 with a 'Blast From the Past' themed family skate from 5 pm to 8 pm and family games, activities and prizes for the best costume."

Public works report

Gary May presented the public works report, but noted that it was small this month.

"Winter maintenance is well underway and equipment is being repaired and serviced as needed," said Mr. May.

Building controls

The building controls report noted that there had been a total of 81 building permits issued to date with a value of \$15,670,356 and \$122,250 in permit fees.

The report also noted that winter parking is being monitored and tickets are being issued as required.

Mr. Williamson added that there had been a problem with individuals parking downtown overnight, but that thanks to monitoring and ticketing this had been significantly reduced, making it easier for town staff to properly plow the downtown area.

Committee requests more information from Hydro One

The community services and public works committee reviewed a letter from Hydro One about planned forestry maintenance for the Northeast Town, which would include the use of the herbicide Garlon.

The committee recommended to council that a representative from Hydro One come to council in the New Year to discuss their plans including the use of Garlon.

Out and About in Sheguiandah

Happy New Year to all our readers!

What a way to start out the New Year, with temperatures of -35°C on Friday morning! Glad there was no wind to speak of. I just decided to let the dog walk herself that morning, and she did not take a very long one either. Hope everyone's holiday season was a happy one. We had a good Christmas visit with our family from Kirkland Lake and also our grandchildren from Little Current. Kids sure add to the fun of the day and yes, they all got the presents they had asked for. Grandma got a special gift of a pack of Skip Bo cards, and we enjoyed playing a few games. Even the nasty old flu bug came for a visit. I don't remember inviting it but it sure was a bad one. If anyone is sick at this time, hope you get lots of sleep and be sure to eat your chicken soup for a speedy recovery. Also we send our get well wishes to our cousin Ted Lovelace from Silver Water. He is due back home soon after surgery in Sudbury.

The storms over the holidays certainly were bad. My brother Norm and Wife Laurie had made plans to

go to their daughter's in Kitchener, and although they had to delay for a couple of days, they did get there and back home safely. Norm said it was unbelievable how much ice there was on the trees. It is one thing to see it on the TV but quite different when you see it in person.

So many without hydro on Christmas—that would have been a real challenge. I remember what it was like when we lost ours here for a few hours in the storm in November, nevermind losing it for days on end. I was told many of the hydro workers from Manitoulin area gave up their Christmas with their family and friends to go and help in the affected areas. It is good to know we have such dedicated people to help in these kinds of situations. And I am sure the people without heat and hydro were thankful for all the help they could get as well.

Today (Sunday) sure brought a nice change in the weather. While out and about we noticed several people were out ice fishing. That is something we enjoy in the wintertime as well, hope we can get out soon. Travelling around to Lake

Manitou and Pike Lake we saw several deer out playing in the snow, surprising how deep the snow is as some were up to their belly running through the fields.

There are lots of birds coming to the feeders and suet packs we have put out this year. Quite a variety of woodpeckers including a Pileated woodpecker. The doves have been coming in groups. Also lots of the European starlings. They come in large flocks and feed and even eat from our sumac trees. The blue jays don't seem to mind all these visitors as they make sure they get their fill too. Mindemoya had the annual bird count on December 14 this year. Maybe we could all get together and put the birds from this area in as well. We enjoy the bird pictures that John Savage sends into The Expositor. Mum tells me she cuts them out of the paper to keep.

The next stain glass workshop by Zoe will be held at the Sheguiandah museum on January 17 and again on January 18. So you can choose which day works for you, from 9 am until 4 pm. Call Norma at 705-368-3416 for more info and to register for this

workshop and the other events for the month. Also the museum will be entering into their annual membership drive for 2014. More info will be available on this soon.

Happy belated birthday to Ralph Batman. He told me he received many happy returns for the day and had lots of birthday cake, however he did not share how many years young he is.

Many people are away now for the winter so there is not too much local news. If you have something you would like put in this column call me at 705-368-1826.

Keep smiling.



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We thank all applicants, but wish to advise that only those under consideration will be contacted.



NAHNDAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG
Wikwemikong Health Centre

**Wellness Case Manager
Job Opportunity - Contract**

The Wellness Case Manager will take an innovative approach towards addressing addictions and will work in collaboration with a team of professionals. The team will include but is not limited to Traditional Resources, mental health workers, addictions workers, child and family service workers and Ontario works in addressing complex needs of those affected by addictions.

The Goals are as follows:

- Improving access to needed specialized services
- Enhancing knowledge, skills and capacities of community members and workers
- Providing support via a team approach
- Building and/or strengthening bridges between traditional and mainstream approaches to wellness.

Responsibilities:

1. Provide case management, leadership, partnership relations, administration, evaluation and community engagement
2. Coordinate culturally appropriate services with community resources/agencies for community members seeking assistance to ensure that appropriate service needs and treatment plans are met.
3. Establish, maintain and enhance partnerships with community programs and community members
4. Foster community collaboration, involvement and support and ensure the needs of clients are being met
5. Ensure culturally appropriate knowledge transfer, capacity building, support, advice is provided and focused on addressing the addictions issue that will lead to enhance knowledge and skills.
6. Facilitate access to education/training programs/services
7. To keep abreast of current trends, developments and issues; along with assisting in the implementation of the Community Wellness Development workplan.

Qualifications:

1. Post Secondary degree in one of the helping discipline from a recognized institution
2. Three to five years of experience in case management
3. Three to five years of experience in First Nations' health services/mental health and addictions services.
4. Knowledge and experience in working with First Nation, provincial and federal government systems of health.
5. Fluent in Anishinaabemowin is considered an asset.
6. Excellent communication, interpersonal and leadership skills.
7. An intimate understanding of the lived experience of Anishinabe people and Traditional wellness approaches.
8. Good time management and the ability to work under pressure and meet deadlines.
9. Sound proficiency and using current IT applications.
10. Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training is considered an asset
11. Mental Health First Aid Training is considered an asset
12. Current CPR/First Aid certification
13. Valid Ontario Driver's License and own a reliable vehicle.
14. Current criminal reference check.

This is a contract position. Salary is in accordance to WUIR Salary Grid. **All applicants MUST submit a letter of application, current resume, (3) three current letters of reference, marked CONFIDENTIAL to:**

Wellness Case Manager

Attention: Leanne Mishibinjima, Admin Support Personnel
NAHNDAHWEH TCHIGEHGAMIG Wikwemikong Health Centre
P.O. Box 101, 16 Complex Drive
Wikwemikong, ON POP 2J0

Deadline: January 6, 2014 at 4pm

The successful applicant will be required to submit a criminal reference check and driver's abstract. We thank all applicants; only those selected for an interview will be contacted. Documents will not be returned.

TOWNSHIP OF ASSIGINACK



2014 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Nominations:

Notice is hereby given to the Municipal Electors of the Township of Assiginack that nomination papers in the 2014 Municipal Election may be filed in person or by an agent with the Clerk or designate as of January 2, 2014 up to Thursday, September 11, 2014 at the Clerk's Office during regular office hours and on Nomination Day, Friday, September 12, 2014 between the hours of 9:00 am and 2:00 pm.

The required fee for a member of Council is \$ 100.00 and the required fee for Head of Council is \$ 200.00. The required fee shall be in the form of cash, money order or debit/credit card and must accompany the signed form. A nomination paper must be certified by the Municipal Clerk before such person becomes a candidate for the office.

Until you have filed nomination papers, your campaign organization is not entitled to either raise money or incur any expenses. Also, you cannot spend any of your money on your campaign before filing your nomination.

Positions for which a person may file a nomination paper for municipal office:

- Reeve (1)
- Councillor (4)

Have you ever tried to read the entire Bible in a year? Have you started, but lost the desire and motivation to finish? Well, make this year the year that you start it and stick with it. By reading for 20 minutes a day, you will read the Bible from cover to cover in one year, and be able to better understand Bible teachings and ideas for yourself. For a free daily Bible reading guide, please contact the Christadelphians at biblestudents@yahoo.com or 705-377-6620 or P.O. Box 167, Manitowaning, ON POP 1N0 or visit www.dailyreadings.org.uk.

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in memoriam

VERNER—In loving memory of Maryann Catherine (Day) Verner. We lost you January 6, 2003. When friends tell me they can't believe "Mom's been gone over 10 years" I quickly reply "Mom's not gone, she's still here." You see she lives on in her four children, grandchildren and great-grandbabies. We see her kindness in their eyes, We hear her talents in their music, Her beliefs live on in their hearts, And her patience, love and respect embrace their daily routines. We see now the struggles you endured And we appreciate what you gave and taught us now even more. We miss you but understand you needed to rest and God wanted to hear your beautiful music up in Heaven. Till we sing in the choir alongside your playing Forever in our memories never to fade. Your girls, your Amy and Sarah.

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in memoriam

CANNARD—In loving memory of a dear wife, mother, and grandmother, Margaret, who passed away January 12, 2011. Those we love don't go away, They walk beside us every day. Unseen, unheard, but always near, Still loved, still missed and very dear. Forever in our hearts, Doug, Bev, Judy and families.

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in memoriam

LOVE—In loving memory of our beloved daughter Kathy Love and our dear grandson Brody Love who were taken from us so tragically on January 7, 2006. We little knew that morning That God was going to call your names, In life we loved you dearly In death we do the same, It broke our hearts to lose you two You did not go alone For part of us went with you The day God called you home. Tonight the stars are gleaming On two lonely, silent graves Where sleeps in dreamless slumber Two we loved but could not save. No one knows the silent heartaches Only those who have lost can tell Of the grief that we bear in silence For the two we loved so well. May the winds of love blow softly And whisper so you can hear We will always miss you and love you And wish that you were here. Forever in our hearts, sadly missed by Mom and Dad, Grandpa and Grandma Freeman and all their families.

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CYWINK—In memory of Estelle Ruth (nee McGregor) Cywink, September 3, 1927 - January 1, 1986. Psalm 103 The Psalmist summons his soul and all his faculties to praise G-d for pardon, redemption, and bountiful provision for every need. Man may be frail and transitory, but those who fear G-d can rest in the assurance of his eternal faithfulness. Man is mortal and frail but G-d's mercy is eternal. As for man, his days are as grass; As a flower of the field, so he flourisheth. For the wind passeth over it, and it is gone; And the place thereof knoweth it no more. But the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting upon them that fear Him, And His righteousness unto children's children. (Verses 15-18) Lovingly remembered by sons, daughters, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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Notice

Financial Statements

Rainbow District School Board's Financial Statements for the year ended August 31st, 2013 are now available online at rainbowschools.ca

The Financial statements can also be obtained by calling 705.674.3171, ext. 7217 or 1.888.421.2661.

Doreen Dewar
Board Chair

Norm Blaseg
Director of Education

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Death Notices

VIVIAN "ROOTZ" PITAWANAKWAT - DUMONT

Vivian "Rootz" Pitawanakwat – Dumont began her spirit journey on Thursday, December 19, 2013 at the age of 57. Dear daughter of Mary Grace Trudeau and Eli Pitawanakwat (both predeceased). Beloved mother of Mary Fisher and Crystalee Pitawanakwat. Loving grandmother of Braiden Fisher, Patrina and Aldin Pitawanakwat. Greatly missed by sisters and brothers; Archie (predeceased) (Joan Peters), Carol (Steven), Henry Jacob (Somporn), Timothy, Arlene, Linda, Wayne (Zeemo), Alvin (predeceased), Debbie (Richard), James "O.J." (Christina), and Melissa Manitowabi (Edward). She will be greatly missed by her many cousins, 20 nieces and nine nephews. The strongest woman that walked this earth. Never to show her pain, she showed us that being strong comes from the heart. She chose a humble path and a positive outlook on life and will be forever remembered embedded in our hearts. Her soft gentle voice will guide us and remind us that she is truly our guardian angel. Family and friends gathered on Monday evening, December 23, 2013 at St. Ignatius Church. Funeral Service was at 2 pm Tuesday, December 24, 2013 at St. Ignatius Church, Buzwah. Cremation. Share a thought or memory at www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home, Little Current.

VIOLET FLORENCE TRUDEAU

In loving memory of Violet Florence Trudeau who passed away peacefully in Manitowaning on Tuesday, December 24, 2013 at the age of 73. Violet had an out of this world sense of humour. She loved to make people laugh. She was very talented in beadwork, traditional dancing, cooking and quilting. She worked all over the USA, all the way down to Puerto Rico. She was an adventurous Grandma! Violet was Elvis Presley's #1 fan. She was a very popular woman. Survived by special friend Raymond Corbiere, daughter Virginia-Anne Peltier, grandchildren Dinah (Tim), Rose Mary (Trent), Heather, Guy (Janine), Travis, Tabitha (B.R.), 14 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. Predeceased by parents Cecilia Peltier and Eli Lewis. Remembered by siblings (on Mom's side) John Peltier, Raymond Peltier, (predeceased), Josephine Santiago (predeceased), Catherine Trudeau, Madeline, Vincent, Lucy Peltier and Martina Pheasant. And siblings (on Dad's side) Raymond Roy, David Jacko, Boniface Roy, Bobby Lewis, Ronnie Lewis, Tony Lewis, Lucy Trudeau, Marilyn Roy, Marilyn Lewis, Lyda Mishibinijima, Elaine Lewis and Rosemary Roy (predeceased). Visitation was from 1 pm at St. Ignatius Church, Buzwah on Thursday and Friday. Funeral Service was at 11 am on Saturday, January 4, 2014 at Holy Cross Mission, Wikwemikong, Ontario with Fr. Henk van Meijel SJ and Rev. Charlene Fretz-Hyytiainen officiating. Online condolences at www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home, Little Current.

EARL HOBBS



Earl Hobbs of Gore Bay, formerly of Massey passed away at Manitoulin Lodge, Gore Bay on Tuesday, December 31, 2013 in his 88th year. Beloved husband of Ann (nee Meier) of Providence Bay. Dear son of the late Dougal and Flora (nee Stark) Hobbs. Loving father of Tom (wife Karrie) and Cheryl Pichette (husband Roger) both of Massey, Barbara McKechnie (husband Michael) of Providence Bay, Davie (wife Billy-Joe) and Pat (wife Carrie) both of Espanola, Mary Lou Fisher (husband Sam) of London and the late Bob Buckmiller. Will be sadly missed by grandchildren, Marla, Blaine, Tyler and Jessie and great-grandson Nicholas. Very dear brother of Evelyn Steinke of Massey and the late Alton Hobbs and Bill Hobbs. Earl was a member of the Masonic Lodge and Past Grand Master. He loved the outdoors in fishing, hunting and cutting wood. He will be sadly missed by many friends and extended family. No visitation or funeral service at the request of family. Interment of ashes in the Massey Grandview Cemetery, Massey in the spring. If so desired, memorial tributes may be made to the Alzheimer Society or Parkinson's. Arrangements by Bourcier Funeral Home Ltd., Espanola

CHRISTOPHER ROBIN SAMPSON JUNE 5, 1974 - DECEMBER 23, 2013

In loving memory of Christopher Sampson, a resident of M'Chigeeng First Nation, who passed away at his residence on Monday, December 23, 2013. He was born in Carnarvon, son of the late Mabel Noland. Christopher had worked as a carpenter. Beloved brother of Jonathan Noland of Toronto. He is survived by his aunts Tina Migwans of Toronto, Patsy Beboning, Lorraine Migwans, Carol Migwans and by his uncle Patrick Beboning all of M'Chigeeng and by his uncle Kerry of Toronto. Predeceased by his aunts Caroline and Brenda. Relatives and friends called at Saswaahns Spiritual Centre, 44 Tikmeg Road, M'Chigeeng after 2 pm on Sunday, December 29, 2013. The funeral mass to celebrate Christopher's life was conducted at Immaculate Conception Church on Monday, December 30, 2013 at 11 am with Fr. Jim Kelly as celebrant. Cremation will follow. Online condolences may be left at www.culginfuneralhome.ca. Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay, 705-282-2270.

STANLEY LLOYD FOX

In loving memory of Stanley Lloyd Fox who passed away peacefully to the Spirit World on January 3, 2014. He was born on July 23, 1941 to John Fox (Jr.) and Josephine Osawabine, both predeceased. Survived by partner Helen Jacko and children Paige Jacko (Shane), Eric (Anastasia), Veronica, Sharon, Muriel of Birch Island, Ontario. Predeceased by children Pam and Nina. Survived by 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. Survived by sister Mary Fox (Terwyn) of Toronto, Ontario, by brothers Tom (Angeline) Fox, Edward (Dorothy) Fox of Wikwemikong, Ontario. Predeceased by sisters, Marguerite Wassegijig and Ida Fox, baby Rose Kate, by brothers Paul (Margaret) Fox, Dominic (Agnes) Wagosh, babies Joseph, Joseph 2nd. He is also survived by many nieces and nephews. Godfather to Jessie Wabmong Kaboni of Wikwemikong. Lloyd spent his younger days in Kaboni, working on the family farm and other jobs in the community. He gradually entered the work force engaging in jobs in Elliot Lake, Chicago, Illinois and Toronto, Ontario. He retired from his job in June 2009 at Consolidated Fastfrate Inc., Toronto, after 34 years of service. Lloyd enjoyed visiting with his friends and neighbours on his daily travels. He spent quality time with his family members especially with children and grandchildren, brothers and sister, and with his nieces and nephews. He would sometimes show up unexpectedly, ready for anything and everything, especially at family gatherings. As with most of us Lloyd enjoyed the joys and sorrows of what life has to offer. He was a kind and generous man and helped out with family the best way he could. He became a Santa Claus to some in his older days. He will always be fondly remembered by his immediate family, his nieces and nephews and his working friends at Consolidated Fastfrate. Funeral visitation and funeral mass was at the St. Anthony Daniel Parish Church in Kaboni. Visitation started on Sunday, January 5, 2014 at 4 pm and continued until the funeral mass on Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at 11 am. Interment in Wikwemikongsing Cemetery. We invite you to share your thoughts and fond memories by visiting www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home, Little Current.

LANCE KENNETH WILLIAM PITAWANAKWAT "FOX" "WAAGOSH" OCTOBER 3, 1977 - DECEMBER 30, 2013

In loving memory of Lance Kenneth William Pitawanakwat "Fox" "Waagosh" who started his spirit journey on Monday, December 30, 2013 at the age of 36. Beloved son of Arlene Pitawanakwat (Victor). Dear brother of Jason Chard (Sabrina), Danielle Pregent (Adrian), Michael Pregent (Whitney), Bradley Pregent (Iris), Zack Pregent and Zena Pregent. Proud uncle of Anthony, Darnell, Sasha, Jasmine, Breanna, Kianna, Alexander, Brandon, Hayden, Kayden, Isabella and Jermaine. Loved godson of John and Elaine Recollet. Predeceased by grandparents Angus and Norma Pitawanakwat. Lance will always be remembered by his many aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and other family members. Visitation was from 6:30 pm Sunday, January 5, 2014 at Whitefish River First Nation Community Centre, Birch Island with Funeral Service at 3 pm on Tuesday, January 7, 2014 at Whitefish River Community Centre. Burial at Whitefish River First Nation Cemetery. We invite you to share your thoughts and fond memories by visiting www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home, Little Current.

JOSEPH PETER LAWRENCE TRUDEAU JANUARY 19, 1939 - DECEMBER 28, 2013

In loving memory of Joseph Peter Lawrence Trudeau, 74, who passed away peacefully at the Manitoulin Health Centre, surrounded by his family, on Saturday, December 28, 2013. Dear son of late Alexander Trudeau and Alice Trudeau. Dear brother of Ivan Trudeau, Marianne Shigwadja, Irene McNichol, Rosina Edwards, Catherine Trudeau, Stanley Trudeau, Adam Trudeau, Isadore Wabanose; (all predeceased) and Mary Jane Trudeau of Toronto. Loving husband of Shirley Anne Trudeau. Loving father of Samson Trudeau (Tammy), Karen Trudeau, Amy Manitowabi (Jason), Wanda Trudeau, Derrick Trudeau, Laurie Anne Trudeau and stepdaughters Debbie Trudeau and Tammy Trudeau. He will be missed by many nieces, nephews, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and godchildren. Joseph enjoyed hunting, carpentry, carving, curling and furniture making. He loved spending time with family and friends. Joe worked for housing for 33 years. Rested at St. Ignatius Church from 4 pm on Saturday, January 4, 2014. Funeral Mass was at 11 am on Monday, January 6, 2014 at St. Ignatius Church, Buzwah, Ontario. Cremation to follow. We invite you to share your thoughts and fond memories by visiting www.islandfuneralhome.ca. Arrangements entrusted to Island Funeral Home, Little Current.

RICHARD ROY BELTON APRIL 1, 1950 - DECEMBER 31, 2013



In loving memory of Rick Belton, a resident of Mindemoya, who died at the Manitoulin Health Centre, Mindemoya on Tuesday, December 31, 2013 at the age of 63 years. He was born in St. Catharines, Ontario, son of the late Roy and Pearl (Wyatt) Belton. Rick was retired from his job as a Social Worker, but still kept active in a number of businesses and thoroughly enjoyed driving school bus. He attended the University of Western Ontario, Kings College, and attained his Masters at the University of Windsor. Rick was very active in the Masonic Lodge and the Shriners, the Hillbilly Shriners as well as the Central Manitoulin Lions Club. He also enjoyed hunting and fishing. As a young boy, Rick was an active Boy Scout, and as he got older, moved on to the Rovers. This group was a large part of Rick's life and he will be missed greatly by his Rover family. His most precious time was spending time with his family, especially grandchildren. Rick is survived by his beloved wife Linda (Andrew) Belton. Loving and loved father of Rebecca of Toronto and Andrew and his wife Vanessa Hill also of Toronto, grandson Alastor and foster son Wade Seaward and his wife Lee Ann and their daughter Jennifer. Dear brother of Ann McFadden (husband Bill predeceased), of Granton, Joan Taylor (husband Terry predeceased) of London, Beverley Harper (husband Ralph) of London and sister Barbara Ryan (predeceased) of London (husband Bob). Also survived by many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews and cousins. The funeral service to celebrate Rick's life was conducted at the Mindemoya United Church on Saturday, January 4, 2014 at 11 am with Rev. Hugh MacDonald officiating. Friends called from 9:30 am until time of service. If so desired, donations to the Mindemoya United Church, the Mindemoya Hospital Auxiliary or the Cancer Society would be appreciated. A Masonic Memorial Service was conducted at 10 am. Online condolences may be left at www.culginfuneralhome.ca. Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay, 705-282-2270.

Memorial donations are gratefully appreciated and can be made at the admitting office to the auxiliaries of the Manitoulin Health Centre and the Renovation Fund in both Mindemoya and Little Current and the Gore Bay Manitoulin Lodge Auxiliary Incorporated, 3 Main Street, Gore Bay, Ontario, P0P 1H0 and the Manitoulin Centennial Manor Auxiliary, Postal Bag 460, 10 Robinson Street, Little Current, Ontario, P0P 1K0. Donations can also be made to the Manitoulin District Cenotaph Fund, Box 656, Little Current, Ontario P0P 1K0.

Central Manitoulin Chatter

It certainly has been a frigid start to this New Year. I hope all your frozen pipes have thawed and you are enjoying the milder temperatures. The bald eagles flying over our house on the south shore do not seem to mind the cold weather. They are spectacular to watch soaring over the bay to the mouth of the river for a quick catch of rainbow trout.

The Christmas lights and decorations on the houses and businesses were exquisite this year. Everyone seemed to just step it up a notch. Driving around the towns and neighbourhoods gave us a smile and a few ooohs and aaahs!

The annual Providence Bay and Spring Bay Lions Club New Year's Eve dance was a great success. The attendance was down a little this year due to the inclement weather. Island Music Showcase DJ services out of M'Chigeeng provided the music and had the crowd dancing to every tune. Everyone seemed to enjoy the lunch spread of roast beef, ham, pork and turkey with many salads, veggies, cheese and lots of cookies. Designated drivers were available ensuring everyone got home safely.

It is back to school for our young people and back to work for the rest of us! We hope those who have left the Island for sunnier climes are having a good time. Perhaps when you return to the Island you could bring some warm temperatures with you.

On December 30 Brett Deeg celebrated his 16th birthday with a trip to Espanola with Nana Sherri. He enjoyed a Chinese dinner and a visit with Aunt Shelley. A big 6th birthday party was held on Saturday, January 4 for Tieren Noble-Stone. Happy Birthday to Brett and Tieren. Belated birthday wishes to Laura W. Scott and Sharlene Kay.

Our thoughts and good wishes to Terry Thompson who fell and broke her wrist during the Christmas season and Sara Meunier who fell and broke her wrist while skating. Our best wishes are sent to Pat and Don Burke while Don



Another New Year and with it comes a sizable list of resolutions. The two most common ones will be improving ourselves in fitness and then trying a strict new diet rule. Mentally, we make that unrealistic list of "no" foods that are going to create magic after our post-holiday weight awareness.

We need to focus on one thing, one meal, and that is breakfast. Eating breakfast every day will help to keep you mentally agile throughout the day and improve your overall health.

On a side note: We do a set of exercises every morning, we just love them, and it only takes 10 minutes. Google 'T5T the Tibetan Rites,' they might work for your fitness improvement.

Slow-Cooked Apple Pie Oatmeal

Make a big batch and then reheat portions throughout the week. Using a slow cooker will give you the time to do another job.

- 2 1/2 cups Loon Song oats or steel-cut oats
- 4 cups water
- 4 cups whole milk, almond milk or soy milk
- 2 apples, cored and chopped
- 1/2 cup dried cranberries
- 1/2 cup raisins
- 1 Tbsp each ground ginger and cinnamon

Lightly brush sides of slow cooker with oil; this will prevent a hard crust from forming. Combine all ingredients in slow cooker. Cover and set to low. Cook until plump and soft, about 3 to 5 hours. Stir halfway through.

When cooked, spread out on 1 to 2 baking sheets to cool. This will help prevent oats from continuing to cook and turning mushy. When cool, scrape into large bowl and refrigerate for up to 5 days.

Reheat in small portions, thinning with milk as needed. Sweeten to taste with maple syrup or honey and top with your favourite fruit.

PB and Energy Boost Smoothie

A good shot of protein is a great way to rev up our metabolism in the morning. Mixing protein with fibre and fat also keeps us satiated, which really helps us from reaching for unhealthy snacks. This is where the Magic Bullet works its "magic."

- 1 small banana, cut into chunks
- 3/4 cup frozen blueberries, raspberries, strawberries or mangoes
- 3/4 cup 2% milk, soy milk, almond milk or coconut water
- 1 Tbsp natural peanut or almond butter
- 2 tsp hempseeds
- 1 tsp honey or maple syrup
- Optional: add 1 Tbsp organic coconut oil and 2 tsp chia seeds.

Whirl all ingredients together in blender until evenly mixed. Thin with more milk if needed.

is still on the mend.

We extend sincere condolences and sympathy to the Belton family in the passing of Rick, the Cranston family in the passing of Thomas Sr. and the Anderson family in the passing of Jerry. Please keep these families in your thoughts and prayers.

Mindemoya Euchre Tournament is Thursday, January 9 at 8 pm. Bring your partner and see you there!

Mindemoya Minor Hockey has started again after the Christmas break. Novice is Thursday at 6:30 pm, peewee is Thursday at 8 pm, bantam is Sunday at 6:30 pm and midget is Sunday at 8 pm. Come out and support the young play-

ers. They always enjoy the cheers from the crowd.

The Pearson Cup Hockey Tournament is this weekend, Friday, January 10, Saturday, January 11 and Sunday, January 12 in Providence Bay. There is always great hockey to watch this weekend. If you can volunteer please give Steve Orford a call at 705-377-4349.

Remember to shop locally and support your Island businesses.

Please call 705-377-4909 and leave your notes, news and tidbits on the answering machine or email centralchatter@gmail.com. That's all the news that is fit to print! Take good care.

Death Notices

MARGARET EVELYN READ

Margaret Read (nee Brooke), resident of Bruce Mines and formerly of Kagawong on Manitoulin Island, passed away at the Algoma Manor in Thessalon, Friday, January 3, 2014 at the age of 92. Born in London, England, Margaret moved to Canada in 1957, and retired with her husband Bob to Kagawong in 1983. Daughter of the late Charles and Ellen Brooke (nee Bailey) of England, and wife of the late Robert Edwin Read of Kagawong. Loving mother to William of Kagawong, Robert of Brampton, and David of Bruce Mines. Grandmother to Peter McAllister of Mindemoya, Brian Read of Toronto, and Mark Read of Radium Hot Springs, B.C. Survived by sisters Kay Hughes, Dorothy Hahn and brother Ronald Brooke, of England, plus great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. A Celebration of Life will be held at the Beggs Funeral Home in Thessalon, Ontario on Wednesday, January 15, 2014 from 2 pm to 4 pm. www.beggsfh.com.

WILLIAM (BILL) JENKINS RUMLEY



With heavy hearts the family share the passing of William (Bill) Jenkins Rumley of Chuckey, Tennessee on December 19, 2013 at the age of 52. Lovingly remembered by his wife of four years Frances (Fran) Willis, son William (B.J.) Rumley, parents Orton and Ruth Rumley, sister Eldene Rumley and fiancé Brian Shepard, nephews Gye, Devin and Brett, sister Mary Lou Reynolds and husband Alan, brother Morris Rumley, nieces Dawn, Jennifer and nephew Wilfred, numerous uncles, aunts and cousins. Bill attended Manitoulin Secondary School and then Sault College, graduating from the metallurgy program. He was an accomplished welder and took immense pride in his work. During his 28 years with Lafarge Group's Manitoulin Quarry he enjoyed various roles within the company, finishing his career as production tower operator. He retired in 2009 to marry Fran and move to Tennessee. A long time resident of Meldrum Bay, Bill loved spending time with his son B.J. He was a magnet for the neighbourhood children, towing them in the wagon behind his ATV and feeding them his special recipe of mac and cheese. A talented musician, Bill played guitar and violin, following in the footsteps of his father and grandfathers. He perpetuated the Rumley family tradition of music by passing the love of it to his son B.J. Bill enjoyed his new home in Tennessee, he considered no snow to shovel a great bonus. The Willis family warmly welcomed Bill into their fold, they shared a great love of music. Bill and Fran adopted an animal shelter puppy and Bill and Sprocket became best buddies. Bill enjoyed touring the beautiful countryside, the panoramic vistas of the Great Smoky Mountains and his visit to Memphis and Graceland Mansion were an especial highlight. A hockey enthusiast, Bill was a die-hard Habs fan. He loved his bacon crisp and his pizza loaded. Bill had a unique sense of humour and wit, he will be truly missed. Within our hearts and in our memories, those we love remain with us always. What a beautiful difference one single life made. A memorial service celebrating his life was held in Tennessee on January 7, 2014. A memorial committal service will be held by the family at the Silver Water Cemetery in the spring.

THOMAS HILTON CRANSTON

JANUARY 29, 1947 – JANUARY 3, 2014



In loving memory of Tom Cranston, a resident of Providence Bay, who died suddenly at his residence on Friday, January 3, 2014 at the age of 66 years. He was born in Spring Bay, son of the late Hilton and Alma (Lanktree) Cranston. Tom had worked for 14 years in the mines for Rio Algom in Elliot Lake and at INCO in Sudbury for two years, but eventually the Island drew him back, to do what he liked to do best, work in the bush, hunt and fish and tend to his garden. Tom was a very helpful member of his community, willing to help whenever called upon. He loved his family, and his grandchildren were of the utmost importance to him. He was a much loved husband, father, grandfather, brother and friend. Tom will be sadly missed by all who knew him, but many memories will be cherished. Dearly loved husband of Charlotte (Harnum) Cranston of 44 years. Loving father of Tom Jr. and his wife Caroline of Spring Bay, Lisa and husband Brian Schell of Sudbury, Dave and fiancé Jane of Little Current and Shawn and his girlfriend Tiffany of Cambridge. Proud grandfather of Michael, Christine, Rhylee and Joshua. Dear brother of Pauline Van Every and husband Bill, Wilamine Fishwick and husband Bob, Robert and his wife Doris, Michael and his wife Shirley and Nan Buie and her husband Wendell. Also survived by sister-in-law Shirley Cranston. Predeceased by brothers John and Fred and sister Margaret and brother-in-law Bobby Mason. Also survived by many nieces and nephews. Friends called at the Culgin Funeral Home on Tuesday, January 7, 2014 after 7 pm. The funeral service to celebrate Tom's life will be conducted in the Wm. G. Turner Chapel on Wednesday, January 8, 2014 at 11 am. Cremation to follow. If so desired, donations to the Heart and Stroke Foundation would be appreciated. Online condolences may be left at www.culginfuneralhome.ca.

SHEILA JANETTE LAFORD

APRIL 1, 1971 – JANUARY 3, 2014



In loving memory of Sheila Laford, a resident of Sudbury, who passed away at Health Sciences North, Sudbury on Friday, January 3, 2014. She was born in Toronto, daughter of Joseph Laford and Roseann Debassige. Sheila had worked for a period of time in an award factory. She enjoyed going to bingo and casinos. Sheila had a great talent for drawing, unfortunately never got the breaks to carry on with this wonderful gift she was given. Sheila is survived by her beloved partner Edward Roux of Sudbury. Loved daughter of Roseann Debassige and Joe Laford. Dear sister of Shelly Laford, Michael Debassige, Nichole Laford, Tiffany Laford and Joey Laford. Loving auntie and great-auntie. Loving niece of Georgina, Dorothy, Denise, Clifford, Donny and Levi. Also survived by a number of other relatives and friends. Relatives and friends called at the Saswaahns Spiritual Centre, 44 Tikmeg Road, M'Chigeeng after 10 am Sunday, January 5, 2014. A wake service took place at 7 pm. The funeral service was conducted at Saswaahns on Monday, January 6, 2014 at 11 am with Deacon Joe Fox officiating. Interment in M'Chigeeng Cemetery. If so desired, donations to the Cancer Society would be appreciated. Online condolences may be left at www.culginfuneralhome.ca. Culgin Funeral Home, Gore Bay, 705-282-2270.



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100 ACRES HOWLAND TOWNSHIP \$139,000

quality recreational offer approx. 20 minutes from Little Current, mixture of woods, pasture areas and some lower lands, excellent deer location, new hunt cottage, wood heat, surveyed, fenced lot, call the hunt group now. Asking \$139,000 (1387) (MLS#1020125)

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Your own private dock, large garage/work shop approx. 60 x 60 feet, over 2000 square foot two storey home, three bedrooms, two washrooms, oil and wood heat, surveyed lot, walk to ferry dock, municipal water, lots of potential for other uses, salmon fishing at your door step. (1313)

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HUNT CAMP ON 200 ACRES \$139,000

Quality bush lot. Frontage on a small lake. Camp has been completely renovated. Several stands in place and ready for the hunt. Asking \$139,000. (1327)

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GORE BAY WATERFRONT \$369,000

newer home on west harbour, expansive view of North Channel, 4 plus 1 bedrooms, 3 washrooms, in floor heat, attached heated garage, full upper deck, approx. 3500 sqft. of living space, poured concrete foundation, municipal services, short walk to marina and dock, quality materials, expansive kitchen area, asking \$369,000 (1382) (MLS#1019677)

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LOTS AFFORDABLE WATER FRONT LOT!! - one large waterfront lot, nicely treed, year round road, surveyed lot, area of newer homes and cottages, 15 minutes to Mindemoya shopping and golf. **NEW PRICE \$49,900** (1269) CALL JORDAN @ 368-3113

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ESTATE SIZED BUILDING LOTS near Lake Mindemoya. Hydro, municipal road and lake access. Four to choose from. Asking \$18,999 each

WATERFRONT WOOD HOME \$249,000

with 36 acres on an inland lake, deer country, hardwoods, three bedroom, 1.5 storey home, oil and electric heat, decks, large detached garage/workshop 40 x 50 feet plus smaller shed, private location, walk in lower level basement, must be seen, located in west Manitoulin area. (1401) (MLS#1021898)

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LITTLE CURRENT WATERFRONT HOME - \$334,900

300' of frontage, close to the Swing Bridge. Features include a new finished basement with in-floor heat, 4 bedroom, 2 bath, double car garage, all on 5 acres of land. (ML#1020325)

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ELIZABETH BAY WATERFRONT LOT \$89,000

Large estate sized lot, approx. 3 acres in size with over 200 feet frontage, sandy type shoreline, hardwoods, driveway and outdoor privy, above average features, great building location. (1402) (MLS#1021922)

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HUNT CAMP AND LOG SAUNA \$99,500

on 100 acres, close to Little Current. Several tree stands and quad trails make this camp ready for the fall hunt! (MLS#1016274)

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100 ACRES PLUS COTTAGE \$169,000

located in Burpee Twp, highway frontage, newer bungalow approx 28 x 42 feet., steel roof, 6 inch walls, shed, good deer location, this building could be a year round home, property located a few miles west of Evansville, 28 x 42 cottage with 2400 watt solar power, 8x 12 bunkie with solar, 8 x 8 shed with propane fridge, 12 x14 metal drive shed, 8 x 20 boat shelter asking \$169,000 (1391) (MLS#1020340)

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TWO HOME PROPERTY \$179,000

Year round road, chalet, carport, large garage, modern two bedroom house, drilled well, meet the needs of two families, close to Silver Water. (1372) (MLS#1018829)

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LAKE WOLSEY WATERFRONT \$89,000

large 3 acre lot, over 700 feet waterfrontage, level surveyed lot with clearing and driveway installed, located on west shoreline, this is one of the premiere fishing lakes both in summer and winter ice fishing. (1395) (MLS#1020835)

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BRIDAL VEIL ESSO, KAGAWONG \$549,000

Well established business for sale. Excellent location on Hwy. 540, only 5 minute walk to the falls. Gas, groceries, coffee shop, propane service, ice cream, fishing equipment, courier service, commercial and residential tenant income, frontage on Kagawong river, ATM, LCBO outlet, a quality commercial offering, asking \$549,000 (1399) (MLS#1021556)

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GORE BAY BUNGALOW \$149,000

Attractive three bedroom home with stone fireplace and electric heat, paved drive, attached garage, full block basement, one washroom, approx. 1200 square feet, nicely landscaped yard, walk to all downtown stores, very well maintained, ready to move into. (1350) (MLS#1015325)

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HARDWOOD BUSH \$79,000

attractive 46 acres fronting on paved road, good hardwood growth forest, only 15 minutes to Mindemoya shopping, great recreational or building location plus deer hunting, a quality offering. (1397) (MLS#1021357)

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100 ACRES MILLS TOWNSHIP \$134,900

good recreational hunting lands on seasonal access road, contains well built cottage, sleeps 6, metal roof and vinyl siding, interior natural pine, separate sauna building, propane heat, small deck, generator building, an excellent quality offering in deer country, asking \$134,900 (1378) (MLS#1019309)

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NORTH CHANNEL HOME \$329,000

on Lighthouse Road, only 5 minutes from Gore Bay shopping, watch the sun rise over the harbor, approx. 1900 square foot of living space, 4 bedrooms and 4 washrooms, elec and wood heat, massive stone fireplace, sheltered dug out docking location, year round paved road, a premiere location, asking \$329,000 (1392) (MLS#1020400)

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TOBACCO LAKE WATERFRONT LOT \$59,900

one surveyed lot, approx. 150 x 300 feet, located on west side of lake, good road access, some sand beach areas, great for children, excellent location for cottage (MLS#1013302) (1387)

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KAGAWONG HAMLET COTTAGE \$89,000

situated on Upper St, elevated view of harbour, paved road, municipal water, two bedroom rustic bungalow style, front deck, electric and wood heat, short walk to the marina and chocolate shop, one of the prettiest villages on Manitoulin, asking \$89,000 (1396) (MLS#1021101)

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SAND BEACH WATERFRONT HOME \$359,000

Beautiful waterfront home with a full custom renovation. Every aspect of this home is new. Beach location in a sheltered bay on the North Channel. A pleasure to show. MLS#1021795

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